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Top Ten
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PLAY BALL -- Grayling Little League kicked off its 1998 season on Monday, May 18 with the throwing of first pitches. This year the honors went to Jack Millikin (above), Larry McNamara (right) and Irv McIsaac (not pictured).

Photos by Linda Golinick

High school improvement plans await day at the polls

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

With the school election date of June 8 fast approaching, Crawford AuSable Schools' Superintendent Kent Reynolds is anxious to get the word out about the advantages of proposed improvements to Grayling High School.

When the high school opened its doors in the fall of 1973, it was a state-of-the-art facility covering 101,000 square feet. The improvements would add 57,000 square feet and 35,000 existing square feet would undergo remodeling. But, the improvements will only take place if, on June 8, voters are agreeable to a \$13.9 million dollar bond issue.

If approved by the voters, retirement of the bonds will require an additional 1.99 mills in debt retirement millage. This will cost the average taxpayer about \$50 a year or about \$1 a week.

Besides additional square footage and renovations, replacement of the heating ventilation and air conditioning systems would be completed.

Reynolds said the district is spending \$45,000 each year just to maintain the obsolete equipment and to keep repairing the system, as well as the roof, would be less cost effective than to take care of the problems within the improvement and addition plans.

A completely new roof and windows are in the plans, too.

If Reynolds and the Board get their

wish, the performing arts department would get much-needed classroom space so that costume changes wouldn't have to take place in the hallways. Scenery would be constructed off-stage, leaving it clear for

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Kent Reynolds,
Superintendent,
Crawford AuSable
School District

use by other groups.

"The scenes for *Bye Bye Birdie* were so big, they had to be constructed on the stage because there was no place else to build them," said Reynolds.

"When the Rotary Mistral Show was in the works, people were tripping over things just to use the stage."

The auditorium would gain an additional 254 seats and improved acoustics, the school offices would grow to accommodate the growing student enrollment, and the media center would provide students with additional computer technology resources.

New science labs would help take curriculum into the 21st century.

Classrooms would be reorganized to be located in more common sense groupings, such as Auto CAD, Art, and Drafting located near Building Trades, Shop class and the Production Lab.

An entirely new cafeteria with a larger kitchen and service area would be built where the rear circle drive is now located.

The plans call for an entrance and lobby that would serve both the auditorium and the gym.

The gym would more than double in size and seating capacity would go from 1,500 to 2,500. (The current gym was only designed for physical education classes, and not for competitions or tournaments.) The girls would get their first real locker room to bring the school up to Federal Title IX standards and the wrestling team would no longer have to practice in the cafeteria.

With the new athletic facilities and space, Grayling High School would be allowed to host Class B tournaments, a possible advantage for Grayling's business climate.

"The high school is ideally located. With the planned improvements, tournaments would be played here and that would bring more people to the area," commented Reynolds.

"From my own experience, I know that when travelling to different

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Public Safety Millage Proposal on the ballot Sheriff asking for operating funds

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

With a 4-2 vote to accept the ballot issue, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, on May 12, cleared the way for the Sheriff's Department to take their operating millage proposal to the public. Bretzke and Smock voted against the motion.

Budget constraints have decreased the operating funds of local law enforcement to the extent that the night time road, marine and river patrols, and the animal control officer, have all been discontinued until further notice.

The cuts into the Sheriff's budget were in excess of \$370,000 for this year, and that amount was taken out prior to the current fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

Statistically, law enforcement is very costly. The salaries, benefits, equipment and training required to operate efficiently, are all factored into the budget needs of the department.

In the case of Crawford County, it

operates a jail, had a 24-hour road patrol, and the county had no State Police presence assigned to its jurisdiction, whereas most of the surrounding counties have a considerable presence of State Police officers.

When a comparison to other counties was taken into account by the county's auditing team for purposes of establishing the 1998-99 budget, it was discovered that Crawford County's law enforcement budget was 35 percent of the total budget.

The team's recommendation was to cut this to roughly 30 percent of the county's budget.

A five (5) percent cut was approximately \$220,605, which was necessarily doubled, because the year was one half over and all the cuts were required to come in the last half of the year.

There were several factors fed into the auditor's overall equation, including: county law enforcement officers, number of State Police assigned to the area, and other police officers in the area, such as

city or private deputies.

In speaking with Sheriff David Lovely about the next step he and his department expects to take, he said, "We're forming a committee and getting some information together for some flyers. There are so many things that are beginning to stack up, but it can't be helped."

The State Police's two-person car assigned to patrol Crawford County at night is unable to handle any civil matters. They only expect to handle criminal matters like breaking and entering, accidents, drunk and disorderly calls, and other more serious crimes.

The State Police will not nor are they equipped to respond to complaints about barking dogs, processing personal protection orders, or the delivery of civil papers.

Sheriff Lovely asks that anyone interested in helping with the millage proposal call him anytime at 348-4285. Poll workers and callers will be needed for the August primary.

Public Safety Millage Proposal

"Shall the 15-mill limitation upon the total amount of the general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Crawford, Michigan by 1.75 mills — which is equal to \$1.75 per \$1000 of taxable value of all such property — for a period of 5 years, 1998 through 2002, inclusive, for the purpose of supplementing the County Sheriff's office budget and funding 24-hour road patrol, which increase will raise an estimated \$612,000 in the first calendar year of the increase?"



Photo by Nicole Trenary

GO FLY A KITE — Little Mermaid was one of the many kites flying at Hanson Hills Recreation Area this past Saturday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Children of all ages, who came out for the event, received a free kite and refreshments were provided. The weather was delightful and the children seemed to be enjoying themselves; for it was a perfect day for flying a kite. This event was sponsored by C.S.I.

Banda drops out of school board race

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Although it is too late to remove his name from Crawford AuSable School District's official school ballot, incumbent school board member, Brian Banda, announced that he is no longer running to retain his seat. Banda has served on the board for five years.

Superintendent Kent Reynolds said that Banda is requesting voters refrain from voting for him because he will not accept the position.

According to Reynolds, Banda has accepted the position of Girls' Varsity volleyball coach at Grayling High School, replacing current coach, Rebecca Brown. Donna Boughner will remain the Junior Varsity coach.

Reynolds said that Banda cannot hold a position on the school board and take the coach's position because the situation would be "legally incompatible."

For the past several years, Banda has served as Grayling High School's head volleyball coach and is currently employed as a social worker at Grayling Intermediate School.

"Brian has done a fine job for Grayling's team and we look forward to benefiting from his expertise at Grayling," said Reynolds.

Legion to host Memorial Day ceremonies

The American Legion, Grayling Post #106, will host ceremonies for Memorial Day on May 25, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Elmwood Cemetery.

The cemetery is located at the corner of Old 27 and North Down River Road.

Participants and visitors are welcome.



Photo courtesy of Curt LaMotte

REMEMBERING — Take time this weekend and honor our fallen heroes.

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Citizens question high pay, benefits of commissioners'

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The regular meetings of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners lately have been very well attended — mostly by citizens with bones to pick or good points to make.

The meeting on May 12 was not an exception.

William Bonkowski II, father of furloughed Crawford County road patrol deputy, William Bonkowski III, brought specifics to the meeting and presented them to a rather large audience of disgruntled citizens.

"There are problems with the budget," he began, "but I've been comparing what this board of commissioners makes with that of Kalkaska County. They have seven members, and their meeting costs are \$200 for members and \$250 for the chair —

that's a total of \$17,400 for Kalkaska. We have six — and our costs for meetings are \$52,800.

"You've cut the other departments deeply — why not the Board of Commissioners? Salaries, per diem and mileage for Kalkaska runs \$33,200 — Crawford County pays \$104,385 for the same thing. Why 300 percent more?"

"The bottom line, as I see it," said Bonkowski, "is that Kalkaska Commissioners do not have health insurance, longevity pay and retirement benefits — you all do. The salary of a Kalkaska Commissioner is \$2,400 a year — you have salaries of \$8,800."

Another citizen, Robert McIntosh, concurred with Bonkowski. "Personally, I believe that under these circumstances, you should suspend your per diem and mileage."

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Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties to sign agreement

Court consolidation program back on track

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

The Supreme Court ordered pilot court consolidation program in Crawford, Otsego, and Kalkaska Counties, could be on the cutting edge of something big and important for all courts in the state. The concept of a totally integrated Family Court is currently being played out in these three counties, and it appears to be working, despite some internal snags.

On March 26, the Michigan Trial Court Assessment Commission, chaired by Supreme Court Justice, Elizabeth A. Weaver, brought the issue to the floor of the House for review. The Commission reported, "After a presentation by Judge Davis, a motion was offered, supported and affirmed by a unanimous record roll call vote to convey TCAC support for House Bill No. 4866 (Draft 2)."

House Bill No. 4866 is expected to be formally approved and the court reorganization plan, as experienced by the respective counties and courts of the 46th Circuit Trial Court, have made it a reality. By joining the various jurisdictions into a single court, the legislation enables each county to have its own sitting, full-time Family Court judge - the former judge of probate becoming that judge.

The Joint Administrative Council Agreement (JACA) currently being brokered between the county boards of commissioners and the courts, speaks to the spirit of further cooperation, but it also allows not only freedom of task-based selection to handle daily affairs, it also offers the parties freedom from unnecessary interference.

Both are essential components to a

workable contract between the counties and the courts. The creation of a JACA, which will enable the decisions to be made more efficiently, and is a solution to eliminating many ongoing problems and misunderstandings.

When Kalkaska County attempted to bail out of the pilot program in late April, it was primarily because of a lack of understanding as to the true nature of what's really going to happen when the courts have been completely transformed. The counties are expected to experience great cost savings, but some county officials have yet to convince themselves of that fact.

Chief Judge Alton T. Davis, main arbiter for the court reorganization program said, "It's not really a matter of choice. Kalkaska County has no authority to pull out of the pilot, because it's a Supreme Court project and not something the local courts put together."

Davis was given the main brokering task of creating and ensuring that separate but equal divisions within the groups of commissioners and the courts was made to function. The counties wanted their roles in the matter defined and stabilized, and the JACA was meant to do just that.

Success of the JACA will depend on how well the veto power works. The Administrative Council will consist of two to three commissioners from each county and three to

five members of the courts. A majority must be reached on each side to pass a resolution.

An operational quorum is considered two counties and one member of the court. According to Jack Crandall, Chief Court Administrator, proxy options will be used for both sides. But, Crandall said, "The parties, especially the commissioners, will want these proxy options spelled out."

He said further that the agreement should be mutual and, if an issue comes up, it may be taken back to the boards for review.

Votes will not be expected on the spot, in many cases, until that review process has taken place.

The day-to-day operations of the courts within the respective counties has apparently created an unreliable chain of information passing from one to the other. Davis admitted, "We've often become frustrated with the time it takes to resolve simple matters."

"The courts operate every day, Monday through Friday, and the commissioners meet once or twice a month. By creating this Joint Administrative Council, we could meet more frequently and it won't take weeks or months to make these decisions," Davis said.

Kalkaska commissioner, Larry Wells, said, "We're going along with this Joint Agreement because we want to have some say in the process. We also want to know

ahead of time what's going to happen and what bills are going to be presented for payment. Our accounting system is not the same as the others; we want to review these costs before they occur."

Wells also explained that Kalkaska County had a "capital outlay" policy, and when the courts ordered items, like a new fax machine, it had to be pre-approved by the board of commissioners.

Davis agreed, but said he believed that as long as the courts remained within their own budget, they could be trusted to get "the house built and shouldn't have to come to you every time we need a box of nails."

The Hon. Patricia A. Morse will become the chair of the Council, and all agendas will be drafted by the Trial Court Administrator, Rudi Edel.

The 46th Circuit Trial Court became a consolidated effort under a Supreme Court order dated May 31, 1996. Since that time, the combined court system has filed 25,100 new cases, and the courts have been looking for new ways to streamline their operations.

This and the other five court-ordered consolidation projects were scheduled to end on Dec. 31, 1997, but, on Dec. 19, 1997, the Michigan Supreme Court issued Administrative order 1997-12 and extended the court consolidation projects until further order of the Court.

Board will call in state auditors

Wakeley named Chief Administrative Officer

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

Creating an accurate definition for a county's Chief Administrative takes skill, time, and a lot of thought.

When Auditor Richard Balderman from the State Treasury Department made a suggestion recently, the commissioners listened. Time was one element they do not have on their side, so they acted upon the recommendation quickly and by unanimity.

On May 12, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners named County Treasurer Joseph Wakeley temporary Chief Administrative Officer.

"I'll take the assignment, but only until this fiscal year ends on September 30," he said. He explained that a Chief Administrative Officer, when hired, would be responsible for budgets and budget processing, and would

need at least two to five years of governmental accounting, have a Bachelor's degree, and be prepared to act as a county controller.

"By state statute," he said, "acting as county controller is not my responsibility."

The future plan to create the county controller position for the 1998-99 year passed by unanimous vote. The county has been experiencing so much distress in delivering a balanced budget for the current year, that the prospects of passing yet another budget before year end on October 1, has been a nightmare for all involved in the process.

Managing the county's financial affairs has become too complex to be handled by a part-time commission, and it's taken an outside auditing firm nearly two years to untangle what has accumulated over the last decade.

Another motion passed was to request the current auditing firm of

Tackman, Anderson to consider their three-year contract - two years of which have now passed - to be at an end, so the county could request the State's Auditing Department to assume those auditing functions.

Some board members have been outspoken with regard to being left in what one called "a budget abyss" when requesting information from the Tackman firm.

Commissioner Robert Smock said, "But, we owe Tackman, Anderson firm a lot. We've adopted many of their recommendations and they've taken us over a very bumpy road."

The commission came to the conclusion that the State auditors would furnish a more timely auditing process at a lesser or comparable fee. With the year ending on September 30 instead of on a calendar year basis, Mr. Balderman had assured the commissioners that state auditors would be more readily available.

Grayling High School: 25 Years Old

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School bond issue

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tournaments, I will have to put gas in my car, get something to eat and possibly pay for lodging," Reynolds added.

The actual ballot language is:

"Shall Crawford AuSable School District, Crawford, Otsego and Kalkaska Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum not to exceed Thirteen Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$13,900,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to, and partially remodeling, refurbishing and re-equipping the existing high school; acquiring and installing technology equipment for the high school; and developing and improving the site?"

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

The bond issue's campaign slogan is **PRIDE - School, Business, Community!** The Superintendent said he would like to see everyone take pride in the districts' schools and look toward the future.

Copies of the proposed high school improvements map and a comprehensive hand-out of commonly asked questions and answers can be picked up at the school board office on Michigan Avenue.

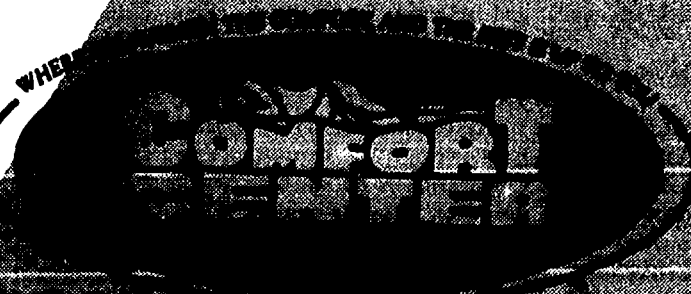
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Court and County clash over hiring freeze issue

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

When the Crawford County Board of Commissioners met during their May 12 Ways and Means meeting, the red flag went up when an appropriation for \$500 in expenses for contract employee, Penny Shepherd, was submitted by the 46th Trial Court for payment.

Shepherd was formerly Judge John Hunter's Probate Registrar and also his court recorder. She has retired, but has been retained to serve as a court recorder on an as-needed basis for the 46th Judicial Trial Court, a pilot program incorporating Kalkaska, Crawford and Otsego Counties within its jurisdiction.

"The unchecked hiring by the courts without approval must stop," said Commissioner Dennis Long. He then motioned that the board not pay Shepherd for contract services rendered to the court. "It is by law," he said, "that a county board of commissioners, as budget controller of county funds, must review and approve all contracts for services."

Chief Judge for the court reform project, Alton T. Davis, disagrees. He said, "when the Legislature passed the Act creating the Family Court, they gave the court the responsibility of designating a judge to handle family law. That, in our opinion, usually falls to the Probate Court, and by agreement of the

bench and a division of the work load, that puts all young people in front of the same judge.

"It also, as a result, means more cases for Family Law Judge, John Hunter. What once was a part-time Probate docket is now full time, and he needs a recorder. Many of our employees serve in dual capacities, and Penny Shepherd was not only his probate registrar but his recorder, as well."

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners has imposed a hiring ban on all employees, though the board removed it briefly in February of this year to hire a confidential secretary.

Commissioner Dennis Long said that due to the hiring freeze imposed by the board, "we should send a letter to the court reaffirming our position on the freeze." He then moved that "we swing the dollars for this (the court) position to 911 so we can maintain minimal staffing service."

South Branch Commissioner, Bruce Bretzke agreed. "The timing on your motion is excellent. It would bring Central Dispatch back to its current level of operation without asking the citizens for a 300 percent tax increase, even if we had to go to jail for opposing the judge's order."

The "300 percent tax increase" to which Commissioner Bretzke refers, is the current ballot proposal that the county be allowed to assess an additional surcharge on local telephone line users. This would increase the supplemental funding for Central Dispatch - 911, if approved by voters in August, and it would raise the individual's cost from .52 cents per month per phone line to \$2.18 per month per phone line.

Ways and Means chair Corlew said of the court employee in question: "This court position brought \$76,000 into the General Fund last year. This person is responsible for collections made possible by the court restructuring."

Corlew again asked that the revenue generating potential of the employee be examined, but Bretzke countered by saying: "If the judge doesn't go along and spends the money anyway we'll go to the prosecutor's office."

Bretzke also said, "this is possibly a criminal matter. Maybe we should turn (the court) over to the Attorney General's office for a criminal investigation into the misappropriation of funds."

Commission chair John Hartman affirmed that possibility: "We've adopted a budget, and if they (the court) exceed that budget, we could go that route."

Chief Judge Davis said that "the court is replacing the employee -- this is not a new hire. When the court facilitated increased collection efforts, it recovered thousands of dollars for the county, and the former employee took a job advancement in the Friend of the Court's office. We needed to replace her."

"Chairman John Hartman came to my office about this specific matter on May 8. I spent some 30 minutes explaining it to him four different ways. When he finally grasped the matter -- he said 'that is not a problem.'"

After the motion not to pay the court's employee passed, Long then suggested that due to the large amounts being paid for court transcripts -- perhaps "we could work out something elsewhere."

Judge Davis said that "we have informed the commissioners that rather than hire a full time recorder, and pay Blue Cross, medical and other benefits, it would be less expensive to the county to hire, as needed, Ms. Shepherd. This saves the county thousands of dollars, and it's well within the court's budget. It is our belief that we're not obligated to go to them with matters like this."

And, in regards to Bretzke's comment about taking the court "to the Attorney General's office?"

"That is patently ridiculous!" said Davis.

Forest Dunes developer files amended plan for entrance

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

At its regular meeting on April 6, the Crawford County Planning Commission held a public hearing on the amended plan for the Forest Dunes golf and country club. The first phase of the development was granted final approval by the commission on August 6, 1997.

Since that time, however, problems have arisen with regard to gaining entry through what was intended as the development's main access road. The developer has revised the entry site, relocating it from Four Mile Road to South Ranch Road, off Chase Bridge Road.

A review by South Branch Fire Chief Mike Janisse has been made of the new plan, and he has stated, "Due to the revision, response time has been cut down. Our slowest truck can be there in 10 minutes."

The developer will install ten 12,000-gallon underground fiberglass tanks, so that the hydrants will be available on demand.

Other revisions to the plan are removing the gasoline/fueling station from Phase I and increasing the lot sizes to 1/2 acre over the earlier plan of 1/3 acre.

"When we had to alter the interior structure to accommodate the new entrance, in order to save some special features, we thought, by increasing the lot sizes, the landscape would be healthier," said Tom Fous, Project Manager.

The project has also incorporated what Fous calls "streamworks," and now most of the lots will have some form of water or stream running through them.

The streams will be fed from the artificial on-site lake systems, and the liners will prevent the water

from escaping except through evaporation. The intent is to make them as natural looking as possible, said Fous.

The County's site engineer, Larry Paxton, found several areas he wanted addressed, but his objections were devoted mainly to the apparent lack of parking for the golf course and the anticipated amenities planned for the future. He requested various materials be provided to Building & Zoning prior to the next meeting, so they could review and give recommendations to the Planning Commission.

Bob Clark attended the Public Hearing on the amended plan and questions the traffic studies done in the Chase Bridge area. He said, "That bridge (Chase Bridge) is a parking lot in the summer, and that road gets a lot more traffic than your studies indicate."

A letter against granting the developer's request to amend the plan came from Sandra and Ray Colvin,

residents in the neighborhood where the development is taking place. The Colvins stressed, "Our peaceful living environment, which we have enjoyed the past 14 years, is now full of continuous noise at all hours of the day and night. We notice the increase in traffic and the roads are becoming rutted from the heavy equipment -- not to mention the dust. You asked for comments -- these are ours!"

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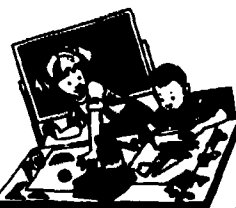
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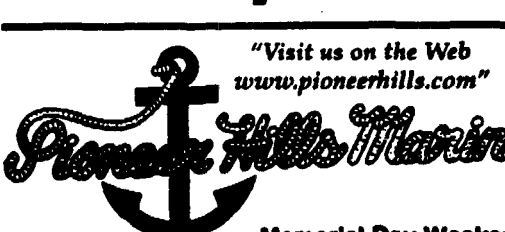
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WHAT'S THAT we smell in the air?

Along with the aroma of lilacs and other springtime pleasures, that unusual scent arises from the hopes of 550 or so Michigan citizens who want to serve in the Michigan Legislature.

It's term limits, come home to roost.

Not entirely, of course, but the oft-berated move toward a citizen-oriented lawmaking structure of amateurs has lured hundreds into the role of political candidates.

In district after district, up to a dozen candidates have filed petitions seeking to serve. In the past, often only a token candidate could be rounded up against an entrenched incumbent.

Not his year.

Term limits caught up with 64 members barred from running again for the state House by a 1992 statewide vote which carried big.

No more than three two-year terms in the state House, starting in 1998, the voters ruled. Similar election turmoil may arise in four years, when term limits hit the State Senate.

TO CRITICS of term limits, the election this year amounts to ballot

roulette, with devastating results.

To supporters, it brings a waft of fresh air into the system.

Members forced out of the House have varying views. Very few want to sink quietly into private life.

"Half of these people think they're going to be lobbyists; the other half think they're going to be senators," observed one outgoing House member, Rep. David Gubow of Oakland County.

Of the 64 departing members, about half will be running for something else this year.

A dozen or so want the State Senate. Several will challenge incumbents from their own party, with whom they have worked in harmony for several years.

It's a case of "Hey, friend, nothing personal, but I just want your job."

Rep. Tom Middleton of Oakland County summed it up this way: "I enjoy serving in the Legislature. If I want to be a lawmaker, my only option is to run for the Senate." He is.

Of course, other options are open for displaced legislators. They could go back home and get a job. There is life outside of public office... although it's not the same thing.

Like Mr. Middleton, most law-

makers enjoy making laws — and the life that goes with it. Most want to hang on.

Some senate challenges will be bitter. History indicates none will remain friendly, when it comes down to campaign crunch time.

It's the nature of politics to not like the guy you're running against; in that heat of campaigning, animosity usually builds. Afterward, all may be forgiven — but usually not during the campaign.

OUTSTATE, SOME of the mere interesting same-party state senate races will pit Rep. Allen Lowe of Grayling against Sen. George McManus of Traverse City, Rep. Glenn Oxender of Sturgis against Sen. Roy Gast of St. Joseph, Rep. Don Gilmer of Augusta against Sen. Dale Shugars of Portage, Rep. James McBryde of Mt. Pleasant against Sen. Joanne Emmons of Big Rapids.

Had it not been for losing their jobs in the House, most of these challengers would not have chosen this route to hoped-for longevity. Most would have waited for an obvious opening.

But, hey: How else can they go on making laws?

Then there's the all-in-the-family

approach. Five legislative wives want to succeed their husbands.

Explained Deanie DeMars of Wayne County: "I feel I'm very qualified. I traveled with Bob when he was in the Legislature. I discussed many bills with him that were coming up to vote. I was his campaign manager for many years."

Well, why not? Legislative careers have been built on skimpier credentials.

There's a same name son (Morris Hood III) as a candidate, a same name daughter (Patricia Holmes), a same name cousin (Charles Oxender). There are geographic transplants, seat swapping between local and state candidates, party changers, and rematches.

All in all, it should make for a glorious primary in August, and a mighty interesting election in November.

Term limits have opened the doors to hundreds of hopefuls. That's one of the things they are designed to do.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE**EDITOR****Crime victim speaks his mind; will act with vote in upcoming election**

To the editor,

Let's call this the worst four hours in the 12 years the Anderson Family has lived in Crawford County.

We call 911 to report a breaking and entering of our son's car in our front yard. The problem starts.

Knowing how poorly manned our sheriff's office is, I waited until almost 10:30 a.m. to make a second call.

I was told they know there is a problem and would be out as soon as an officer became available.

At 11 a.m., officer Art Clough showed up and did a good job of explaining his lateness in getting to the Anderson home. Clough took pictures, "printed" the car and wrote his report, and spending almost an hour here.

I'm now faced with my son's loss of almost \$1,500 worth of stereo equipment.

The neighbors wonder why a sheriff's car was parked in our driveway for about one hour and I still don't have the answer I need.

Our police force have, in one meeting, — "No budget for operation until

the April 20 meeting."

Our commissioners finally make a move to approve the 1997-98 operational budget. The commissioners knew of the shortfall for a lot longer than they told us, using our police force as leverage to make up for the commission's inability to solve a problem.

I can't imagine a senior or handicapped person having to wait three hours to get a complaint answered.

I'm able to take care of myself, and in the future I shall, but many in our community depend so much on being able to get help from them.

The system is failing us in Grayling — shame — I will vote my true beliefs in our next election and I hope to see my friends and neighbors do the same.

I have one added statement and it is something we all could take a lesson from. I call it the Four "C's": Caring, Concern, Creativity, Curiosity.

R.J. Anderson

Grayling

POINT OF VIEW

by Fay Bovee

Does America measure up to France?

As we return from another trip to France, my thoughts turn to "whose ahead, France or the USA?"

We live in the best country in the world, we feel, but after seeing some of the things there, we wonder if possibly we might have things a little different here.

If you've ever traveled French roads, both the autoroutes and country roads, you'll definitely notice a difference. Their roads, seemingly all black top, are very smooth. With speeds varying from above 70 to 100+ on the autoroutes, where you pay a hefty peage (toll) to the lane and a-half roads, where two cars must very carefully pass without dropping into the ditches, there seem to be no bumps or potholes.

New blacktopping in a very small village in Provence was six to eight inches in depth and a new road under construction looked to be about three feet in depth where a deep base would be put in before the blacktop.

Along the autoroute to the south of France loomed a gigantic new overpass for a new train line to the Mediterranean. Instead of abandoning their rail lines as we are doing, they are building new ones. The TGV from Paris to Geneva was an extremely smooth ride but we were unable to gauge the speed. The train was full as well as the stations being very busy places and in the heart of the cities where it is convenient for people.

Many places are closed between noon and two o'clock as they enjoy their lunches and dinner is usually at 7:30 p.m. In spite of the fact that

they consume a lot of wine and beer and dine late in the evening, we saw few obese people. Their food is delicious although on the pricey side, as is everything, but we attribute their slimmness to the fact that they walk, walk, and walk, some more.

In the cities, one sees people who seem to be hurrying everywhere, yet always seem to find time to enjoy a leisurely time in the restaurants and cafes and bistros.

Their apartments in the cities are locked away behind huge doors and quick glimpses into secluded spots, show flowers and plants everywhere they can find a little space. And the lace curtains! Though the buildings must be hundreds of years old and foot thick walls which may look shabby on the outside, the lace curtains are beautiful, giving a hint as to what may be on the inside.

We were fortunate to have been befriended by a French chef in the southern village of Maussane and were treated to a look at the new restaurant that he was going to open in Le Paradou. We did not ask how old the building was that he was remodeling, but would guess at a couple of hundred years by the appearance on the outside.

One does not judge the 'book by its cover' there as one would not believe the decor on the inside from outside appearances. Their buildings are stone and tile and things look as though they are built to last a century.

The streetsweepers were busy in Paris, both large ones who came down the narrow streets, and the

mini-ones on the Champs-Elysee, operated by one person who rides on the back of it.

Along country roads we saw strange-looking green buildings with small openings in the top, obviously not porta-john. One day we discovered people putting in their recyclables! Are we keeping up with them in recycling?

The cities have public 'toilettes' which take a couple of francs, and is so automatic that it is completely washed after every use before the next person goes in. No more open 'street toilettes' that existed years ago. And speaking of 'toilettes,' they are much more conservative in their water use than ours. Nowhere, either in city or country, did we find any that required the amount of water that we use to flush.

All of the world must have been vacationing in France during their spring breaks or holidays as the British call it. It was necessary to stand in line for almost two hours to get into the Louvre, but well worth it for our grandson's first visit.

Some American visitors still believe that the French do not care for Americans, but we have found some wonderful people there who have gone out of their way to help us. With may of them, their English is as fractured as our French, but if we try their language, they will try ours. Much communication can result with few words and a most enjoyable time can be had in restaurants and shops.

In spite of cool weather, even on the Mediterranean at Nice and Cannes, we had a wonderful trip and hope that our grandson, Peter Smith, whose 16th birthday present was this trip to France, also enjoyed it as much as we did.

Know the facts, avoid the tracks

As the school year draws to a close, most children are thinking of summer fun and exciting activities. For some children exciting activities include playing on railroad tracks or swimming or fishing from railroad bridge trestles. This activity can quickly turn summer fun into summer tragedy.

Each year, hundreds of people are injured or killed as a result of dangerous activity on or near tracks. Preliminary 1997 statistics for Michigan show seven deaths and 14 injuries. Over half of these injuries and deaths involve individuals under 21 years of age.

These are the result of people walking down railroad tracks, fishing or swimming from railroad bridges and playing on railroad property. They are totally avoidable.

Walking along the tracks is dangerous and illegal. Many individuals, particularly children, do not understand the danger associated with activity on the tracks.

Trains cannot stop quickly. You cannot accurately judge the distance and speed of an oncoming train. A train can appear on any track at any time, and quieter technology makes it more likely that you might not hear the approach of a train.

In addition, railroad tracks and trestles are private property. Trespassers can face jail for up to 30 days and/or fines up to \$100.

Robert J. Chapmka
President
Michigan Railroads Association

Citizen urges support of police patrols at the polls

To the editor,

In regards to our police patrols and the safety of our homes and citizens. There's no doubt about it, we can't sit back and let them go.

I can't afford more taxes, but we have got to be realistic about it, the money has to come from somewhere. Anybody that thinks we can get along without them better go see a doctor.

I hope taxes will take care of it, but it's hard to say what one little

domestic or traffic stop is going to cost the county. It's a hard thing to say how much this costs, but we need it.

I hope everyone gets out there and votes. Do something that would bring the patrol back. Crawford County has been a safe place to live. Let's keep it that way. Let's not let them down.

Charles Dixon

Grayling

American Red Cross says 'thank you' to Grayling community

To the editor,

On behalf of the sick and injured hospital patients we serve through the American Red Cross Blood Program, please allow me to thank the warm and compassionate people of Grayling who participated in the Crawford County blood Drive on Wednesday, May 6.

The blood drive was held at Grayling High School and was open to the community as well as high school students and staff.

I regret that many community members did not donate because of the long wait, but because we were working short-staffed, the donation process was extremely delayed. These were unusual circumstances and we don't anticipate it happening again!

To all those who tried to or did donate...thank you. I would like to thank all of the wonderful high school students who volunteered for the blood drive. They really helped things run as smoothly as possible.

In addition, I would like to express a special Thank You to the high school student donors who were extremely courteous. The students

allowed many community members to move ahead through the process. Because of their generosity, community members did not have to wait as long to donate.

It is a pleasure to report that over 110 donors came to this blood drive and we collected 97 units of blood on Wednesday. And, even with the long wait, we had 28 first-time donors... truly amazing!

And so, to the sponsor of the drive, the Grayling High School Students, to every cookie-baker, to the phone-callers and poster distributors and to every single blood donor, we extend the warmest thank you and well wishes!

It is great to know that *Good People Do Help When Help Can't Wait*.

Our next Crawford County blood drive in Grayling is Wednesday, July 1, and the next high school blood drive is Nov. 4.

Biz Bauer
Donor Recruitment Representative
Great Lakes Region
American Red Cross Blood Services

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Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use heavy other line and limit to 300 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number made be provided to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

All letters and columns to editing and will be treated as space allows.

Deadlines for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

BRIEFS

Michelson to hold Swiss Steak Dinner

There will be a Swiss Steak Dinner on Wednesday, May 27, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Avenue, Grayling. Prices will be: adults \$6, children \$3 and families \$22.

Free asthma camp at Arbutus Lake

A free, day-long asthma camp at Arbutus Lake will help local children learn to overcome the difficulties of asthma. Camp Weez-A-Way-Go, which combines a fun day of camping with helpful encouragement by health professionals, will be held Saturday, June 20, for asthmatic children 8 to 14 years of age. The American Lung Association of Michigan and Munson Medical Center's Patient Education Department are co-sponsoring this year's camp at YMCA Camp Arbutus/Hayo-Went-Ha on Arbutus Lake. The camp is free of charge, however pre-registration is required. For more information, call the American Lung Association at (616) 946-1344.

CYAC's School's Out Lock-In to be held

The Christian Youth Activity Center's *School's Out Lock-In* will be held Friday, June 5, from 8 p.m. - 8 a.m. Last year's lock-in was a lot of fun. The cost will be \$3 in advance or \$5 at the door. For information and advance registration, call Dan at 344-9033 or visit the CYAC at Hanson Hills.

Gus Busters are needed in Gaylord

Gus Busters are needed to officiate at the Gaylord Gus Macker three-on-three basketball tournament in June. If you are interested, contact Mike Shearer at 348-2083.

Project Graduation to hold car wash

Project Graduation will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Northland Area Federal Credit Union. Vehicles will be washed for a donation of \$3.



TABLE OF HONOR - Each week at Frederic Elementary School, a student from each grade is chosen for their good citizenship and get the privilege of sitting at the Table of Honor during lunch. The table is colorfully decorated and a special dessert is served. Pictured here are, from left, kindergartner Danielle Harwood, second grader Evie Clark and first grader Megan Patterson. The girls were honored the week of May 7.

Memorial Day approaches

On this Memorial Day we will gather again, as we do faithfully every year, to pay tribute to our country's men and women who fell in the line of duty -- citizens of this nation who gave their lives to preserve the liberties upon which America was founded, and which we have carried forward for more than 200 years.

All across America our grateful nation comes together to honor these men and women. More than 600,000 have fallen in combat during the 222-year history of our nation.

On Monday, May 25 we will pause to remember them, in remembering, honor their sacrifice.

Initially, Memorial Day was established after the Civil War to honor the dead and the commitment

of those who served on both sides in that conflict. Memorial Day has since become the day on which we annually remember the sacrifice of all who have perished in our nation's wars.

In 1868, Major General John A. Logan issued an order for his posts to decorate graves "with the choicest flowers of springtime."

Logan also urged that, "We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided republic."

Fish Hatchery opens May 23

The historic Grayling Fish Hatchery will open on Saturday, May 23. It will be open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

You may catch your own trout in the "fish out" pond for 35 cents an inch. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents per child, five years and under are free. Season passes are available this year at \$15 per family, \$10 per couple and \$5 for senior citizens.

The fish Hatchery has 11 raceways stocked with thousands of Brook, Brown and Rainbow trout. The raceways are on the East Branch of the AuSable River.

The hatchery is located on North Down River Road, just off I-75 at the North Down River Exit.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery was started in 1916 by the Grayling Fish Hatchery Club formed by Rasmus Hanson. This group was a pioneer in recognizing the need to supplement natural trout reproduction in our streams.

The original intent was to save the now extant Grayling fish, whose demise is linked to regional logging and over fishing. When this effort failed, the hatchery turned to planting Brook and Brown Trout in the AuSable River System. These plantings had an immense impact on subsequent fishing and tourism developments in Northern Michigan.

In 1926, the Hatchery was sold to the State of Michigan. In the late 1960's it was shut down and reopened in 1983, when local citizens took over its management.

OMH Foundation offers educational scholarship

The Ostego Memorial Hospital Foundation is again offering a scholarship of \$1,000 to students pursuing a course of study leading to employment in a health care field.

The scholarship is available to any student in the hospital's primary service area, who is accepted to a Michigan college or university as a full-time student in a health care field of study.

The scholarship is awarded annually by the Executive Committee of the Ostego Memorial Hospital Foundation. It will be awarded at the end of June.

Last year the scholarship was awarded to Carianne Noirot, a nursing student at Lake Superior State University.

Application packets are available for interested students at the Foundation Office in Ostego Memorial Hospital or by calling Jennifer Rakis, Foundation Director, at (517) 731-2342. The deadline for submitting completed applications to the Foundation Office is June 12, 1998.

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Lowe urges all to observe Michigan Week

A northern Michigan lawmaker is encouraging schools throughout the region to participate in the 45th annual celebration of Michigan Week, which runs from May 16 through May 25.

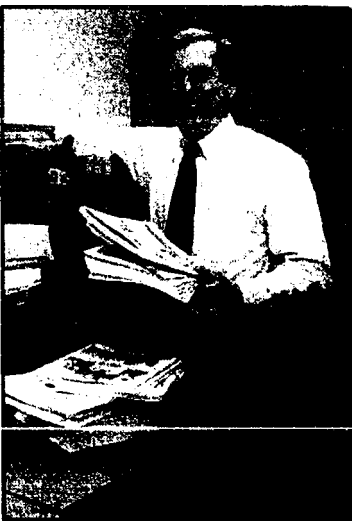
State Rep. Allen Lowe, who once taught Michigan history, said the observance is an excellent opportunity to reflect on what makes the state unique.

"This year's theme is 'Discover the Wonder,'" said Lowe (R-Grayling). "I hope teachers, students and parents will take time to discover more about our rich heritage and stunning natural resources."

To help schools prepare for the event, Lowe mailed out teacher preparation packets earlier this year. Instructors could order free booklets on civics and government, education and career counseling, and Michigan history.

"These materials help teachers share the good news about the Great Lakes

state," Lowe said. "Michigan Week is a wonderful reminder that there's no place like home."



Rep. Allen Lowe



Harvey and Beatrice Rowland

Corrections to Michelson Memorial Historical Edition

According to some members of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, errors occurred in some of the information featured in the Historical Keepsake Edition, dated May 14.

On Page 8, mortgages were buried in the late 1970's, not the 1960's. Also, on that page, the heading of *Early Cradle Roll - 1946* should have been *Baptismal Records*.

On Page 10, Harvey Rowland's bride, Beatrice Peterson, was misidentified as Bea Gothro.

To set the record straight, Harvey Rowland wed Beatrice Peterson on Oct. 28, 1944.

The staff of *The Avalanche* sincerely regrets these errors and any confusion they may have caused.

Avalanche Sets Early Deadlines for Memorial Day

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Friday, May 25, for Memorial Day, and will reopen at 9 am Tuesday, May 26.

The deadline for full page, half page, or color display ads, for the May 28 issue is Thursday, May 21, 5 pm. All display ads smaller than a half page is Friday, May 22, 5 pm. Letters to the editor and photographs must be turned in by noon Friday, May 22. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday, May 26 noon.

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FRI 22	•JOHN JACOBS & THE POWER TEAM @ Roscommon HS Gym, 7 pm, \$2 donation. •ATTEND A FISH FRY of your choice today.
SAT 23	•JOHN JACOBS & THE POWER TEAM @ Roscommon HS Gym, 7 pm, \$2 donation. •PROMISE KEEPERS BREAKFAST location to be announced call Fred Albers, 348-7695
SUN 24	•JOHN JACOBS & THE POWER TEAM @ Roscommon HS Gym, 7 pm, \$2 donation. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 25	•CRAWFORD COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY meeting @ Mercy Hospital, Private Dining Room 4 to 6 pm. •KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.
TUES 26	•GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. •CRAWFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN HELP CENTER @ Heritage Baptist, 9 to 11am.
WED 27	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •LIONS CLUB meeting @ Breaker's Steak House, 6:30 pm.



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From the Calvary Baptist Church

Watermelon Wisdom

"I was passing through Columbia, Ohio, some years ago, and stopped to eat in the depot restaurant. My attention was called to a slice of watermelon, and I ordered it and ate it. I was so pleased with the melon that I asked the waiter to dry some of the seeds that I might take them home and plant them in my garden."

"That night a thought came into my mind - I would use the watermelon as an illustration. So, the next morning, when I reached Chicago, I had enough seeds weighed to find out that it would take about 5,000 watermelon seeds to weigh a pound, and I estimated that the watermelon weighed about forty pounds. Then I applied mathematics to the watermelon."

"A few weeks before, someone - I know not who - had planted a little seed in the ground. Under the influence of sunshine and shower, that little watermelon seed had taken off its coat and gone to work: it had gathered from somewhere 200,000 times its own weight and forced that enormous weight through a tiny stem and built a watermelon. On the outside it had put a covering of green within that a rind of white and within that a core of red. Then it had scattered through the red, little seeds, each one capable of doing the same work

over again."

"What architect drew the plant? Where did that little watermelon seed get its tremendous strength? Where did it find its flavoring extract and its coloring matter? How did it build a watermelon?"

"Until you can explain a watermelon, do not be too sure you can set limits to the power of the Almighty, or tell just what He will do or how He will do it. The most learned man in the world cannot explain a watermelon but the most ignorant man in the world can eat a watermelon and enjoy it. God has given us the things that we need, and He has given us the knowledge necessary to use those things. And the truth that He has revealed to us is infinitely more important for our welfare than it would be to understand the mysteries that He has seen fit to conceal from us." (The above article was written by the late William Jennings Bryan)

(Romans 1:18-20) "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; {19} Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them. {20} For the invisible

things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead: so that they are without excuse." (Genesis 1:1a) "In the beginning God created..." (Psalms 33:6) "By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth." (Psalms 33:8-9) "Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. {9} For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast." (Psalms 119:90) "Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth."

Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

Organ donor registry is to expand

With more than 2,400 Michigan residents waiting for an organ donation, Secretary of State Candice S. Miller announced that her office will direct a program to expand the Gift of Life Organ Donor Registry.

"The Secretary of State's office has a strong tradition of promoting awareness about organ and tissue donation, however, Michigan's rate of organ and tissue recovery ranks near the bottom of the 50 states," Secretary Miller said. "The time has come for us to go beyond promoting awareness. We must go out of our way to encourage participation in the organ donor registry."

Joining her for the announcement were Tom Beyersdorf, executive director of the Gift of Life Agency of Michigan; Sen. Dale Shugars (R-Portage), chairman of the Senate Health Policy and Senior Citizens Committee,

and Rep. Lynne Martinez (D-Lansing) and Sen. John Schwarz (R-Battle Creek) sponsors of organ donor legislation.

Under the program, the Secretary of State's office will send postage paid, self-addressed organ donor postcards to residents applying for a driver license or state identification card. The postcards will be preprinted with the individuals name and address so anyone wishing to have their name placed on the Gift of Life Registry simply signs the card and sends it to a central depository in Lansing. There, it will be optically scanned and transferred to the Gift of Life Registry, reducing the work and time needed to process the data.

In making the announcement, Secretary Miller cited that for more than 20 years, the Secretary of State's office has supported organ donation by providing information with driver licenses and state identification cards as well as in branch offices.

With the introduction of the new Michigan driver license system, it will be even easier for Michigan residents to designate their organ donor wishes. Instead of using an organ donor label, residents will simply write their wishes

in the designated space on the back of their new drivers license or state ID card.

Secretary Miller added that the need for organ donors cannot be underestimated. According to the Gift of Life, 152 Michigan residents died in 1997 while waiting for a suitable organ donor to be found.

This year more than 2,400 people in Michigan are waiting for a transplant. Michigan is 20 percent below the national average for organ donation, ranking a discouraging 45th out of 50 states.

"With this new pilot program, it is our hope that everyone will take the message of organ donation to heart," Secretary Miller concluded.

The Gift of Life Agency of Michigan is the state's only certified, full-service organ recovery organization. The agency acts as an intermediary to provide educational resources about organ and tissue donation for donors, recipients, physicians and hospital staff.

For more information on the Gift of Life Agency in Ann Arbor telephone at (734) 973-1577, or toll-free at 800-482-4881.

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Driver Education is a whole new world

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

This summer, 80-100 local kids will be participating in driver education through the Crawford AuSable School District.

On April 1, 1997, the requirements for receiving a Michigan Driver's License created a longer period between driver training and becoming fully licensed.

"The new driver education requirements put more responsibility on the parents," said Howard Lehti, one of four instructors in the district and owner of Crawford County's only private driving school.

panied by a licensed parent or legal guardian or, with the permission of the above, any licensed driver 21 years or older.

To apply for a provisional level 2, or intermediate license, the student must be at least 16 years old, possess a level 1, or learner's license, for at least six months and successfully complete segment 2 of a state approved driver education course.

Also required for level 2 is that the student has not incurred a moving violation resulting in a conviction or civil infraction determination or been involved with an accident for

Upon completion of all of these level 2 requirements, the student is legally able to drive alone, except between 12-midnight and 5 a.m. During these hours, the student must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, or a licensed driver over the age of 21 designated by the parent or legal guardian. The only exception to this rule is when the student is going to or from work.

Finally, to apply for a provisional level 3 license, a student must be at least 17 years old, driven at level 2 for at least six months and completed 12 consecutive months without a moving violation, an accident in which a moving violation resulted, suspension, or restricted period violation during the time a level 2 license was issued.

The level 3 license gives the student full driving privileges. During classroom instruction, students will learn such things as the

Students will be expected to be on their best behavior, especially during their road instruction, because driving is a privilege, not a right, and must be taken seriously.

"There are some students who may be good behind the wheel, but their behavior is too immature to grant them driving privileges," commented Lehti, who has been a driver education instructor since 1972.

The most common reasons students fail in driver education are poor classroom work, poor manipulative skills while handling the car and poor citizenship, in and out of the car.

The Crawford AuSable School District uses dual-brake equipped cars in the program, as required by the state, and leases them from Grayling Ford. Students will learn to drive in either a Mercury Mystique or a Ford Contour and will be expected to treat the vehicles with the utmost care and respect.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

READY TO ROLL - Driver Education Instructor, Howard Lehti, is ready to take a few more students out on the road for instruction. Lehti also teaches high school civics and social studies for the Crawford AuSable School District and owns the only driving school in the county.

There are three provisional levels students must attain before being granted full driving privileges.

First, a student must be 14 years and 9 months old and have written approval of a parent or legal guardian to apply for the level 1 license. Also, completion of driver education course and passing vision and health standards prescribed by the Secretary of State is required.

Driving privileges that come with a provisional level 1 driver's license are limited to driving while accom-

panied by a licensed parent or legal guardian or, with the permission of the above, any licensed driver 21 years or older.

In addition, level 2 applicants must have accumulated and logged a minimum of 50 hours of behind-the-wheel driving experience, 10 hours of which was night driving, while accompanied by a parent or guardian or, with the permission of a parent or guardian, any licensed driver age 21 or older.

Level 2 is finally attained when the student passes a road skills test approved by the Secretary of State.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

ON THE ROAD AGAIN - Freshman Justin Manier takes the wheel while instructor Howard Lehti and back seat passenger, Nate Hinkle, a sophomore, enjoy the ride.

rules of the road and seat belt laws. While on the road, instructors will encourage good sportsmanlike driving and students can expect to learn how to change a tire.

"We don't have to motivate the students in driver education, but we do stress promptness and good attendance or the entire session may have to be repeated," Lehti said.

Lehti is not alone in teaching the young people of the school district how to drive. Larry Austin, Fred Wolcott and Neil Longworth are also instructors.

Lehti was hesitant to tell any interesting stories from his more than 26 years of experience as a driver education instructor, but he did say this, "If you look around town and see a guy with gray hair or no hair, he's probably a Driver's Ed instructor."

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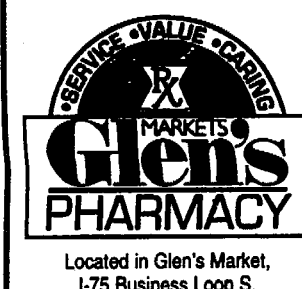
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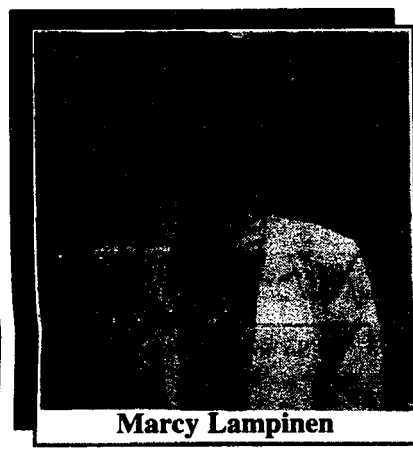
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Marcy Lampinen

Accidents -- What to do

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- Always carry your insurance card and vehicle registration in your car. Not only can it save you time, but it may save you the cost of a citation later down the road. Saved? Up to \$250 and a court appearance.

- Review your insurance coverage. Will it pay for a rental car if yours has been banged up in an accident? For an average of one to two dollars a month, your insurance company will pay for your rental car while yours is being repaired. This coverage could pay off in the shop for an average of 12 days. Saved? Almost \$400.

- Carry a tire iron, jack, spare tire and jumper cables - AND KNOW HOW TO USE THEM! Trying to use these during duress is difficult and can be nearly impossible in the dark. Saved? A tow bill and at least an hour of time.

- Keep a medical card with you if you have allergies to any medicine, or you have a condition that requires special attention. Remember in an accident you may not be conscious to

relay this information on to paramedics. Saved? Possibly your life.

- Keep your vehicle regularly maintained and have safety checks done. The last thing you need is to be responsible for an accident that was preventable. Spared? An accident.

Remember to slow down in bad weather and drive cautiously, not overconfidently.

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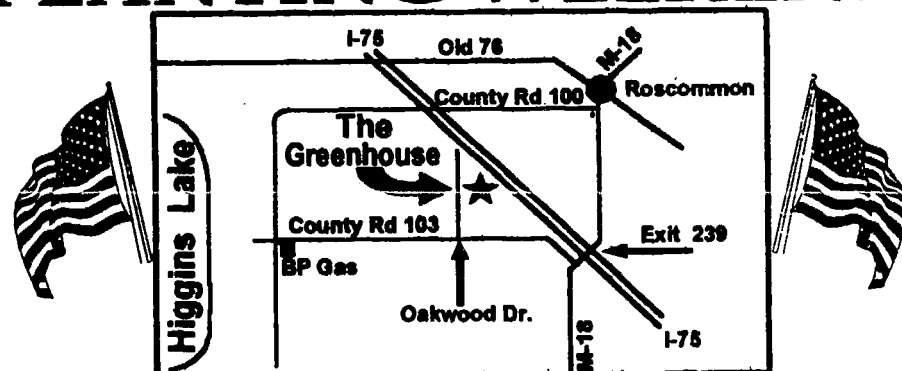


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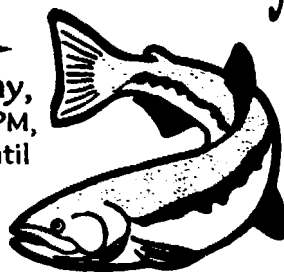
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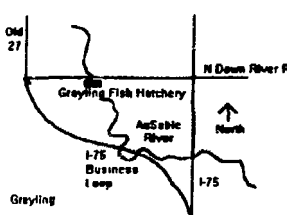
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Barnes and Hiabon wed



Stacy Lee Barnes and Benjamin James Hiabon were united in marriage on Sept. 27, 1997 at St. Michael Catholic Church in Roscommon. Maid of honor was Bridget Barnes, sister of the bride. Bestman was Norman Kukuk, friend of the groom.

Stacy is the granddaughter of Joanne Mead (Failing) and also the great-granddaughter of the late Rolla and Fern Failing of Grayling. Stacy and Ben have made their home in Montgomery, Ala., where they both are in the Air Force.

HEALTHLINE

What causes swimmers itch

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A.,
Health Educator

Q. What causes swimmers itch and how can we avoid it?

A. Swimmers itch is a popular name for a condition known medically as schistosome cercaria dermatitis. Although it seems like a common problem, only one percent of less of Michigan lakes are affected. Unfortunately, these lakes are the ones most frequently used for swimming and other recreational purposes.

Swimmers itch is caused by the tiny larva of the adult blood fluke. This little creature, which develops inside a snail, swims or drifts through the water looking for a suitable duck or water animal to penetrate. Unfortunately humans, who happen to be enjoying the water, may also be entered by this tiny parasite. Since the human body is not a suitable host, once inside the skin the organism dies. However, the body's reaction to a foreign organism causes severe itching at each entry point.

Several hours after penetration, one or more raised red spots appear on the skin. These red spots may be on the legs, back or chest, or whatever body parts that were in the infested water. The itching and size of the spots increases and may be most uncomfortable on the second, third and fourth days after exposure. Usually, most symptoms have disappeared in a week although small

red dots may remain for some time.

To decrease the incidence of swimmers itch, some local lakes are treated each year in early summer. However, it's impossible to completely eradicate the problem. If you and your family rub yourselves briskly with a towel or shower immediately when leaving the water, it will help you avoid contracting this uncomfortable condition. Avoid letting water simply evaporate from the skin, which enhances penetration by the parasite. If infection occurs, there is little that can be done to treat it. Baking soda baths, calamine lotion, anti-histamine products, hydro-cortisone or anesthetic type products may provide some relief from the itching. Ask your pharmacist or physician for suggestions.

Usually by the end of July or first part of August, snails carrying the swimmers itch culprit will have died, putting an end to the problem for another summer.

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 10, which serves Wexford, Kalamazoo, Crawford and Muskegon counties. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Linda DeMarchis, M.A., or Carleen Hubbell, M.A., Health Educators, District Health Dept. No. 1, 401 Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601.



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Boaters and canoeists will find slightly lower reservoir levels on the AuSable River behind Consumers Energy's Loud and Five Channels hydroelectric dams this boating season.

The reservoir level behind each dam was lowered by a foot over the past few days to aid construction work at the Five Channels facility. New spill gates will be installed and piers partially rebuilt at the facility, near Oscoda.

The work, which began in April and is scheduled to run through October, is part of Consumers Energy's continuing maintenance program at its hydroelectric facilities.

"The lower water levels won't have a major effect on recreation use of these waters. However, boaters and canoeists should be a little more vigilant about watching for underwater

obstructions and remember they might not be able to go into some areas that they usually can," said Richard I. Ellerman, operations supervisor for Consumers Energy's AuSable hydroelectric operations.

"We appreciate everyone's patience as we work to minimize inconveniences while completing this important work."

The water impounded by the Five Channels facility covers about 250 acres. The water behind the Loud facility covers about 790 acres.

The Five Channels and Loud dams are two of the six hydroelectric facilities that Consumers Energy operates on the AuSable River. Together, the dams can generate 41,000 kilowatts of electricity, enough to power a community of about 31,000 people.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

Hooked on Phonics is available at the Crawford County Library. The cassette and booklet set checks out for 2 weeks with a \$10 deposit.

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Summer work being done on northern Michigan roads

Many Michigan roads and bridges are undergoing major construction projects this summer, with the state's largest ever construction program in effect in 1998.

Three such road improvement projects that are presently going on involve: the Mackinaw Bridge, the Sault Ste. Marie International Bridge and US-31 east of Traverse City.

Mackinaw Bridge

The third and final phase of improvements to the Mackinaw Bridge road surface is currently finishing up.

This phase involved the removal and replacement of graded roadway. Five sections of the 40 year old Mackinaw Bridge were replaced.

Vehicles between 10 and 14 feet in width were restricted to early morning crossings during the construction, and vehicles over 14 feet wide were not able to cross at all.

The bridge reopened on May 15, and oversized loads were once again able to cross on Monday, May 18.

"We've worked hard to keep motorists informed of the progress on this project," said State Transportation Director Jim DeSana. "The Mackinaw Bridge is such a critical link for our tourism and economy that we're as eager as motorists to have this very important construction project complete."

The project began on April 13, 1998 and was expected to finish on May 22. Utilizing the good weather Mackinaw Bridge Authority (MBA) employees finished a week ahead of schedule.

"Completing the work and reopening all lanes of the Mackinaw

Bridge early was our goal for the motoring public," said Hank Lototszinski, MBA Executive Secretary. "The efforts our employees put forth and days without rain

helped us meet our goal. We couldn't be more delighted to be done early."

The "Mighty Mac" is the longest suspension bridge in North America at five miles. The bridge expects its 100 millionth vehicle to cross this summer.

US-31 near Traverse City

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) began widening a half mile section of US-31/M-72 east of Traverse City on Tuesday, May 12.

"Northwest Michigan will see a lot of activity this construction season as MDOT focuses on attacking the worst roads first while implementing a mix of fixes that will significantly improve Michigan's roads and bridges statewide," said DeSana. "Our highest priority is to preserve and maintain our current system of roads, highways and bridges. That's why we've dedicated the vast majority of our budget to road preservation projects. At the same time, we realize there is room for modest expansion of the system."

The improvements to US-31/M-72 will include widening one half mile of road from State Park to Four Mile, making the four lanes into five.

The project area is just east of the Traverse City Limits in East Bay Township.

The new lane will be added to the south side of the road, with most lane closings occurring on the east-

bound lanes out of Traverse City.

"We are making every effort to set up projects that are going to affect travel as little as possible," said Rise Rasch, manager of the Transportation Service Center (TSC) in Traverse City. "On this project, work is being expedited with seven day work weeks so the project will be completed before the Cherry Festival, minimizing the effect on tourism in the Grand Traverse area."

The \$900,000 project is expected to be finished by mid June.

Sault Ste. Marie Bridge

Improvements on the 36 year old Sault Ste. Marie International Bridge began May 7.

The existing deck surface spanning from the Canadian Arch to the U.S. Customs Plaza in Sault Ste. Marie will be removed and replaced.

This portion of the bridge is 1.2 miles long. Work on this section will involve removing the existing asphalt and upper portions of the concrete deck, and then replacing it with concrete overlay.

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"We're doing this work in May and June this year because increased summer tourist activity is in full swing," said Neal Godby, International Bridge Secretary. "The contractor is required to complete the work before the June 27 Bridge Walk."

This resurfacing project is a continuation of work done in 1996 on the deck north of the Canadian Arch Span. More work will be done in 1999 to complete the total resurfacing.

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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: The better part of one's life consists of freindships!

Things happening at the Center are: May 20: "Triopoly" or "Michigan Rummy" at 1 - bring your pennies and have a grand time playing the game that has two separate games within the one game of Triopoly (one hand of 5-card draw poker and then you finish off with remaining cards one hand of Michigan Rummy - it is a lot of fun so come on in and try it! Also at 5:30 - COA Board meets. May 21: the "Let's do Lunch" gang goes to "1-2-3 Lake St" restaurant in Prudenville and then on to Arnie's for "crafty" things; May 22: Pantry Bingo at 1 and on Sunday the 24th our monthly potluck at 2; just bring a dish to pass, your table service and your appetite! All seniors welcome, wherever you are!

Just a reminder we will be closed on Monday, May 25 in observance on Memorial Day.
Congregate meals are served at noon

and 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and at noon only on Friday. Fruit and vegetable salad bar on Tuesday; Soup served on Monday and Wednesday and bread, juice and milk offered each meal. Please try to make a reservation if you can by calling 348-7123. Menus are subject to change without notice.

Lunch/Dinner:
May:
20 - Ham / Meatloaf
21 - Sweet & Sour Pork / Turkey & Dressing
22 - Beef Stew / no dinner
Don't forget the potluck on Sunday, May 24, at 2 p.m.
26 - Fish / Chopped Sirloin
27 - Veal Parmesan / Chicken ala King
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from Charles Tinsley, Social Security Representative

Who can get survivors benefits

There's a current TV ad for life insurance benefits that features an elderly lady describing her deceased husband's Social Security survivors benefits as a lump sum death payment. "It's only \$255, — not enough to bury him with."

But, Social Security's survivors benefits are more than a lump sum payment to your surviving spouse. It can amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars in some cases to your entire family, including minor children, ex-spouses, and dependent parents.

If you should die, Social Security benefits can be paid to:
Widow or widower - Your surviving spouse may receive full benefits at age 65 or older or reduced benefits as early as age 60. If she or he becomes disabled, benefits may start as early as age 50.

If you leave dependent children in the care of your surviving spouse he/she may receive benefits at any age until the youngest child reaches age 16, or as long as a child who is disabled before age 22 remains disabled.

You should also note that if you are survived by a divorced spouse, she/he may qualify for a survivors benefit on the same conditions as if you were still married if the marriage lasted 10 years. The surviving divorced widow's benefits will not affect a current widow's benefits.

Children - Your unmarried children under age 18 — or up to age 19 if they are still in high school full time — may receive benefits. Your child can get benefits at any age if he or she was disabled before age 22 and remains disabled.

Benefits may also be paid to your stepchildren, adopted children, or grandchildren under certain circumstances.

Dependent Parents - If you are paying more than one half the support for your parents, they may also qualify for benefits when you die if they are age 62 or older.

How much your family can get from Social Security depends on your average lifetime earnings. In general, the higher your earnings, the higher their benefits will be.

At present, the average benefit payable to a widow/widower with two children is \$1,522 a month. Note that these survivors benefits are payable on the earnings of either worker in the family.

For planning purposes, you should get an estimate of the Social Security survivors benefits that could be paid to your family by calling Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, and asking for a "Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement." There's no charge for this service.

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Morning refreshments will be served and lunch will be catered by the Irongate Restaurant.

Anyone interested in helping as a volunteer tutor for the 1998-99 school year is welcome to take advantage of this opportunity to become a certified tutor.

The Literacy Network has many clients in need of tutorial services.

Also, the committee for the Krystal Brush scholarship will be meeting to determine this year's award winner.

This award was set up in memory of Brush, a former tutor and Coordinator of the Literacy Network who, despite her lengthy illness, donated a great deal of time to help the literacy effort.

Although the group of volunteers has decreased in size, they are still very active and always looking for dedicated volunteers and students to carry on the cause for literacy.

For more information on the Crawford AuSable Literacy Network, call Doris Winchester at 348-7641, ext. 550.



IT'S A BIG JOB... - Volunteers for the Crawford County Animal Shelter held a car wash on May 9, the proceeds going to help with shelter expenses. An anonymous truck driver donated \$20 to have his big-rig washed and the kids were up to the task. The car wash raised \$150 and was held in the 7-11 store parking lot. On the front of the truck is Mika Summer; near the side mirror is Gina Lily; washing the driver's door is Ziek Ruddy; near the front of the truck is Alexis Summer; standing on the bucket is Tabitha Pelkey, beside her is Jill Clark; and aiming the hose is Misty Medeiros.



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New award honors local caregiver



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QUALITY CAREGIVER - Owner and operator of Wee Folks Daycare in Frederic, Kathi Black, was recently nominated for an award given out by the State Department of Consumer and Industry Services (CIS) recognizing her for excellent service in a daycare center. In the photo, Black is accompanied by some of the kids she cares for seated on the stairs of the Wee Folks Clubhouse and her dog, Pepper. From the top: David Lawe, Abbey Thomas, Shawn Thomas, Carly Duncley, Rachael Miller. Not available for the photo, but also her charges are: Michael Barry, Emily Upton, Andrew Upton and Chrissa Weaver.

by Rachelle Y. Julien
Capital News Service

Dedication, trust and caring are just a few of the standards the Quality Care Award represents.

The State Department of Consumer and Industry Services created the award to recognize excellent service in day care homes, centers, adult foster care centers, and small and large long-term care facilities.

The department received almost 1,000 nominations from health care recipients and their families in the first year.

We're thankful for the reception we've got," said Maura Campbell, the department's media relations director. "We did it to show the positive side of health care, not just the negative."

Six experts in the child care and nursing home fields volunteered to review the entries. The entries are now being screened by Nancy Dixon, a department policy administrator.

"There are no losers. We got some really nice letters," Dixon said. "Even if you get nominated, that's a plus."

A tour with the final 25 nominees and a background check of the facility will be conducted before the awards are announced, which is expected in

the next couple of weeks.

"The people deserve the recognition," said Campbell. "We should be modeling those that do things right."

One day care center that must be doing something right is Wee Folks Daycare in Frederic. Kathleen Black was happy to hear that she and her nine-year-old center had been nominated.

"I think if more people saw that day care people were getting this award, they would be more interested," she said.

Black credits her success to the amount of close interaction she has with the six children she watches every day. "I treat these day care kids just as my own, and they love it."

Black isn't the only one in the area who was nominated for the award.

Barbara Makowski, activities director at McReynolds Hall, at Ostego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord, was also nominated. The facility specializes in rehabilitation and extended care for the elderly.

"It takes a team effort to provide health care," Makowski said. "I think it would be good for morale that people are being appreciated."

Good Neighbor Award winner is announced



GOOD NEIGHBOR - Martha Taylor of Grayling was recently selected for one of Empire National Bank's Good Neighbor Awards and was recognized for her volunteer work through Mercy Health Services. James E. Dutmers, Jr., Chairman and CEO for Empire National Bank, presented Taylor with a plaque and a \$750 donation to the charity of her choice.

Empire National Bank announced the winners of the tenth annual Good Neighbor Award at the annual meeting of share holders of Empire Bank Corporation, May 5.

Among the five residents of northwest Michigan to receive the honor was Grayling resident, Martha Taylor. She was presented with a plaque and a \$750 donation to the charity of her choice.

Taylor selected the American Cancer Society to receive her contribution. Taylor is a volunteer for Mercy Health Services. Despite her own challenges, she is always available to transport people to the doctor's office, bank, pharmacy, grocery store, or wherever they need to go. She does all this with her quiet dignity and unassuming demeanor.

Marlene Lippard of Mercy Hospital says, "I don't think Martha realizes how much she does for the community. She is truly a Good Neighbor."

"The Good Neighbor winners are people who make their communities better places to live and work," said Empire National Bank Chairman James E. Dutmers, Jr. "Martha's consistent commitment to do whatever she can is truly appreciated by many in the Grayling area."

Empire National Bank's Good Neighbor Award was established in 1989 to recognize individuals or couples who volunteer their time and energy to serving others in each of the communities in which the bank has branches. They were chosen from nominations made by individuals and officials of local service agencies.

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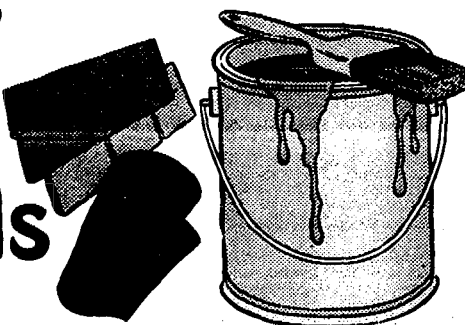
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- A history of the Capitol, its art, and its architecture.
- Photographs of the House and Senate chambers, the Capitol Rotunda, the Speaker's Office, the old Supreme Court chambers, and many other locations inside the Capitol.
- Photographs of art in the Capitol, including a portrait gallery of

Michigan's governors.

• Photographs of features unique to Michigan's Capitol, including antique furnishings, and intricately painted ceilings and woodwork.

The Capitol was built from 1872-1878 and fully restored to its Victorian grandeur from 1988-1992. The online tour, developed in conjunction with Capitol Tour Guides and Information Services, is an interactive and educational way to celebrate Michigan Week by exploring this "working museum" on the Internet.

Michigan Week began Saturday, May 16 and extends through May 25.

High School students take part in 'job shadowing'

Six sections of Grayling High School students currently enrolled in BST (Business Services and Technology) Core have recently participated in "job shadowing" as part of the BST course requirements.

"The purpose of the job shadow was to introduce students to the world of work and get a first-hand look at what it takes to succeed in their career choice," said BST teacher Sherry LaCourse.

BST students had to first choose a career area of interest and then contact an employee of that career area in order to arrange for the "job shadow."

The "shadowing" involved spending one work day with the employee and taking note of the job's tasks, work environment, dress code and interpersonal skills used.

Students then had to write a report about the job shadowing experience.

"Since we have six sections of the

course, a large number of students converged on the work force for a short period of time," said LaCourse. "It may sound like an overload, but the businesses involved have been very cooperative and, according to the comments on the student evaluations, were supportive of this venture."

Career choices varied widely, ranging from health care to carpentry.

"Most of the experiences have been positive, with the students returning with a positive outlook. Even those experiences that did not turn out as expected have proved beneficial since the students found out that a particular career may not be for them."

"It's really great that we had so much local support. We really appreciate the time and effort these establishments took to help educate our students," said LaCourse.

Farm Park to open for season Saturday, May 23

Saturday morning, May 23, Wellington Farm Park near Higgins Lake and Grayling will throw open the gates of the farm for the third time in as many years.]

Located on Military Road, with easy access to both US-27 and I-75, Wellington Farm Park is a living history farm depicting farm life as it was during the Great Depression.

Wellington Farm Park is a real, working farm complete with animals for the children to pet, machinery and tractors for the fathers to look over and, in the very near future, a kitchen for mom to ponder about.

Wellington Farm Park will be open every day from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. As well as the farming activities, the park offers a small working sawmill, a blacksmith shop, carpenter shop and two interpretive trails.

Price admission is \$2 for adults, \$1.50 for students and seniors and no family is asked to pay more than \$8. Both individual and family memberships are available.

Wellington Farm Park also has facilities for group picnics and outings. Group tours can also be arranged.

During the Spring and Fall, Wellington Farm Park offers educational programs for schools from all across northern Michigan.

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JOB SHADOWING -- Grayling High School student Kim Ruley (left) works with *The Avalanche's* Connie Beard. Students from the six current sections of Business Services and Technology class had to participate in a "job shadow" as part of the course requirements.

Historical museum opens for season on May 23

The Crawford County Historical Museum, located at the former depot, will open for the season on Saturday, May 23, 1998. It will be open for the Memorial Day holiday weekend, including Sunday.

The museum is open six days a week, Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Only on holiday weekends, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day, will it be open on Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Admission has not changed and remains at \$1.50 for adults and children over 12. Children under 12 are admitted free as long as they are accompanied by an adult.


Groups and tours may make special arrangements if they wish to visit at any time; call Marie Akers, secretary, (517) 348-7558, or Robert Ruddy, curator, (517) 348-7333 or (517) 348-6294.

The museum continues to acquire new artifacts. Several items that will be added this year are memorabilia

from Mac's Drug Store, part of the bar from Pete Lovely's Green Front Restaurant where the infamous shooting of a motorcyclist took place, and full-length portrait and dress belonging to the late Sal Truettner Hubel. Sal was among the group of people who began the Crawford County Historical Society in the 1970's.


The museum is in need of more volunteers to work a three-hour shift every week. You do not need to be a native of the county or be an expert on the history of the county to volunteer; once you volunteer you will find out many things about the county. The job

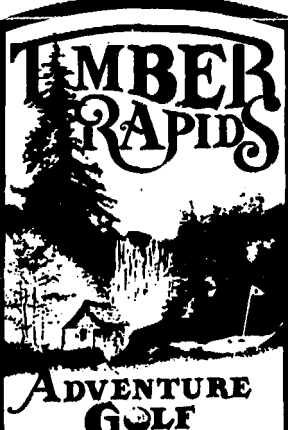
consists of greeting people, collecting their admission, and helping to open or close the buildings depending on whether you work in the morning or afternoon. You will also be volunteering with another person. Please contact either Marie Akers of Bob Ruddy (see telephone numbers above).



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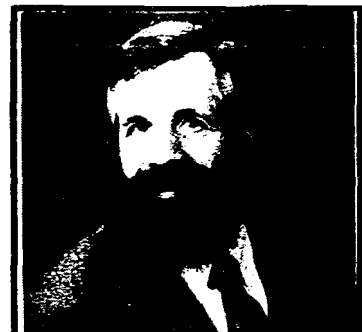
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Trips tips to take on the road

You may be interested in packing some helpful advice, along with your clothes, when traveling with your family.

When taking a trip with children, keeping them occupied and relaxed can help make the trip memorable and fun for everyone. Here are some ideas:

- Pre-trip planning. Talk about the trip with your children. Tell them about things like how long the car or plane ride will be, where they'll sleep and eat, what kinds of things they'll see, and the people they may visit. Plan to collect things for a "trip" scrapbook.

You can involve your children in the planning stages of the trip, such as where to sightsee. Show that you're interested in their opinion; let your children know you are all in this trip together.

- Car activities. Bring along a bag of surprises for your children and bring

out things as they get bored or cranky. Older youngsters can help navigate and read road signs. Storytelling and music tapes, books, car games, snacks and good conversation can help occupy time and make the trip more meaningful. Let children participate in small decisions, such as where to eat or when to stop, to help give youngsters a feeling of teamwork, ownership and control.

- Skills. Car travel provides an opportunity to practice things like colors or letters. Spotting something that starts with each letter of the alphabet, finding rhyming words, etc., can be fun. Let your children practice picture-taking skills.

- Delayed gratification. Discuss with children how the road trip is a means to an end and how they can make the best of it. Talk about others situations that are examples of gratification delay, such as driving in order to visit grandma.

OBITUARIES

Ingeborg M. Libcke

Ingeborg M. Libcke, 93, of Grayling, passed away May 16, 1998 at her residence.

She was born in Grayling to Walter and Hulda (Carlson) Hanson on Sept. 19, 1904.

She was a life-long resident of Grayling and was married on June 20, 1931 at Grayling Danish Lutheran Church. She was a homemaker and a member of the St. John Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her daughter, Carol Sutliff of South Lyon; son, Dr. John and Jean Hanson Libcke of Bloomfield Hills; two brothers: Bob and Fran Hanson of Grayling, and George Hanson of Grayling; sister, Ann Hanson of Grayling; son-in-law, Gene Nowak of Rochester; special nephew, Rob Hanson and several other nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Major General John Libcke in 1983; daughter, Karen Nowak; sister, Agnes Hanson; son-in-law, Thurman Sutliff; and sister-in-law, Hazel Hanson.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 22, 1998, at St. John Lutheran Church, Grayling with Pastor Robert Faber officiating. Burial of ashes will take place at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Evelena V. Allen

Evelena V. Allen, 87, of Frederic, passed away May 14, 1998, at Meadow Brook M.C.F. in Bellaire.

She was born in Frederic to Charles Sidney and Flora Mae (Howse) Barber on July 28, 1910.

She was a life-long resident of Frederic. She was employed as a trimmer for AuSable Souvenir Works before retiring. A member of the Frederic Mom's Club and the Women's Missionary Society of First Baptist Church. She taught school at one time also.

She is survived by sons: Kenneth Dale and Dorine Allen of Lansing, and Fred and Helen Allen of Ellsworth; sisters: Esther Gibbons of Ortonville, Elnoia Lodge of Zephyr Hills, Fla., and Erma Horner of Muskegon; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Sidney and Flora Mae (Howse) Barber; eight brothers: Ernie, Ed, Earl, Elroy, Elton, Elwood, Elmer and Eugene Barber; and sister, Ethel Nelson-Fox.

Funeral service was held May 18, 1998 at the First Baptist Church of Frederic with Rev. Dale Hammond officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Frederic.

Pallbearers were: Dale Yarsevich, Allen Walker, Thomas Gregory, Clark Allen, John Lamie, Elmond Nollf and Rick Allen.

The family suggest that memorials be directed to the First Baptist Church of Frederic.

Helen V. Masson

Helen "Sonie" V. Masson, 73, passed away May 15, 1998 in Grayling.

She was born Nov. 2, 1924 in New York City to Henry and Edith (Hewitt) Masson.

She graduated from Bronxville High School in 1942. After graduating from New York University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education, Helen taught four years in the New York Public Schools before enrolling at the University of Michigan from which she received a Master of Science degree in Physical Therapy.

In 1952, Helen enlisted in the United States Air Force as a Physical Therapist and was sent to Europe. Entering the service as a Second Lieutenant, she was promoted to First Lieutenant prior to discharge in 1956.

After discharge, she joined the Physical Education Faculty of Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio. During 28 years at OWU she coached many sports, with tennis as her all-time favorite; and taught health, relaxation, fitness and tennis classes. Upon retirement in 1984, and induction into the University Athletic Hall of Fame, Helen moved to Grayling where she had spent a number of short vacations. She was a member and supporter of the Concerned Citizens for Animals, the organization which supports the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

She is survived by a nephew, Henry J. Masson of Mahopac, N.Y.; niece, Leslie Masson of Peekskill, N.Y.; two great-nieces: Lauren Masson-Smith and Christine Masson-Sweeney of Yonkers, N.Y. and great-great-nephew, Thomas J. Smith.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Robert.

Following cremation, burial will be in Kensico Cemetery, Valhalla, N.Y.

Friends and Neighbors are invited to a celebration of "Sonie's" life on Thursday, May 21, at 7 p.m. at 8335 Clough Drive.

The family suggest that memorials be directed to the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

Correction

In the May 14 edition of *The Avalanche*, on the front page, Harold Golnick's political party affiliation was inadvertently left out of the list of candidates running for county commission seats.

Golnick has filed for candidacy as a Republican.

The staff of *The Avalanche* regrets any confusion this missing information may have caused.

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Unwed parents get help from new program

by Rachelle Y. Julien
Capital News Service

LANSING — Gov. John Engler is increasing efforts to help unwed parents take responsibility for their children with a new statewide program.

Using federal matching grant program for state welfare reform initiatives, the administration created a two-part program to supplement its existing welfare-to-work program, Work First.

The federal grant is a two-for-one match in which the U.S. government will pay \$42 million with the state matching \$21 million over the next two years.

Michigan will use the grant to fund activities at local Workforce Development boards and its newly created "Parental Responsibility Initiative."

The first initiative will use half of the money to fund local Workforce Development boards for activities permissible under the federal welfare-to-work law. That includes subsidized placement in the public and private sector, vocational education and job search assistance.

The other half of the money will fund "The Parental Responsibility Initiative," which will help unemployed non-custodial parents find work when the parent with custody is on welfare.

Its goal is to help non-custodial parents pay overdue child support.

The Family Independence Agency and Michigan courts are working on the details right now, said Jim Tobin, director of public affairs for the Michigan Jobs Commission in Lansing. The estimated starting date is June 1.

The initiative will assign non-custodial parents to the state's welfare-to-work program, Work First. It will help people develop resumes, provides job referrals, enroll in job clubs and offer other services.

Tobin said the program was tested in Kent County and found to benefit children in two ways: 1. it found the parent a job or 2. it found some parents were earning unreported income.

According to the Michigan League of Human Services, one of the main obstacles to assuring child support is paid is establishing paternity.

In 1996, there were 87 births to unwed parents in Mercy Hospital, Grayling, according to an Unwed Births and Paternity Report by the Family Independence Agency. Paternity wasn't established in about 35 percent of those births.

"Establishing paternity is a bigger problem than unwed mothers," said Jane Zehnder-Merrell, project coordinator of MLHS.

Zehnder-Merrell said Engler is putting pressure on hospitals to get the name of the father on the birth certificate so the mother has somewhere to turn if necessary. "Establishing paternity later on is difficult," she said.

In Crawford County, there were 67 court cases dealing with \$307,877 in unpaid child support, according to the FIA report.

That amount exceeds surrounding counties by as much as \$200,000. Roscommon County follows Crawford with \$285,412 in unpaid child support, and Oscoda County has \$120,229. Kalkaska County is the lowest in the area with just under \$100,000 in unpaid support payments.

Kim Wright, acting FIA director for Crawford and Otsego counties, said the initiative will probably work better in counties where more jobs are available.

"I think it's going to help if we had sufficient jobs to plug these parents into. If Work First can come up with these jobs it would be great to get these parents paying."

Mt. Hope to add contemporary Sunday service

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church in Grayling announced they are increasing their Sunday services by adding an 8 a.m. service to the church schedule.

Two services, 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., will allow members and guests a choice in their worship time.

Mt. Hope is a small church with big ideas. The 8 a.m. worship service will be more contemporary in music and content. The 10:30 a.m. service will be the more traditional Missouri Synod format.

The church has both an adult choir and a children's choir. Both choirs are called the Mt. Hope Bells.

Mt. Hope has recently added the Gospel Light puppets. The puppets are another creative alternative to traditional worship that are entertaining to young and old.

Coming soon to the church is an outside worship area located next to the church, and a Saturday night worship service, starting after Memorial Day.

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STATE BAND FESTIVAL -- Members of the seventh grade band listen to explanations from the State Festival sight reading judge. The seventh graders performed at Roscommon on May 2 for the Band Festival. Judges awarded the group 'ones.'

Seventh grade band gets '1' at Festival

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling Middle School's seventh grade band performed at State Band Festival in Roscommon on Saturday, May 2.

The band received Division I ratings.

"This is the first seventh grade band to receive a '1' at State since we split the seventh and eighth band into two bands," said band director Dennis Ormsbee.

"When I saw the names of the panel of judges I knew it was going to be tough -- these judges are noted for being on the strict side and expect middle school to play as if they were a high school band," continued Ormsbee.

"I was very proud of the band -- I challenged them with class 'C' music and a high school march. They prepared and performed up to the expectations for a number one band."

The judges also had good things to say about the Grayling band:

"The band displays good technique and good tone development," said one adjudicator.

"Overall, a good sight reading effort. For a young group you display fine potential," commented another judge, discussing the band's sight reading performance.

A few members of the Grayling High School band accompanied the seventh graders to Roscommon: Monica Kustra, Mike Boerger, Ryan Casey and Sara Johnson.

"The senior high helpers were great -- their expertise was very helpful," said Ormsbee.

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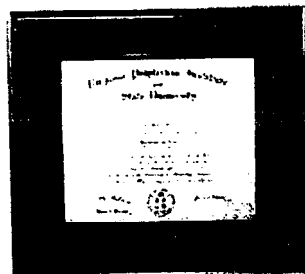
Larry and Chriss Koehler of Roscommon announce the arrival of Hannah Jo Koehler born May 5, 1998.

Richard and Judy Tvo of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Jessica Renee Tvo born May 7, 1998.

Allen and Tara Iverson of Frederic announce the arrival of Allen Gene Iverson Jr. born May 8, 1998.

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High schoolers witness mock accident

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Grayling High School juniors and seniors got to experience what happens at the scene of an accident caused by a drunk driver last Friday, May 15, on the eve of the high school prom.

With the cooperation of several emergency service operations and some high school students, a drunk driving accident was created to convey the message that drinking and driving does not mix and can result in severe injuries, even death.

Representatives of the Department of Natural Resources, Frederic Township Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance, Crawford County Sheriff Department, North Flight, and Grayling Township Fire Department were all "on-scene" to assist victims of the accident, played by high school students,

some belonging to the Grayling High School Student Senate.

The drunk driver, played by Mike Shearer, was given sobriety tests by Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy William Bonkowski and, when he failed the test, he was taken into custody.

The Jaws of Life was needed to extricate two victims from the totalled vehicle, while a third victim had been ejected from the car on impact.

Emergency service personnel worked diligently to help the victims of the mock accident. The two female passengers survived with extensive injuries, but tragically, as often happens in this type of accident, the driver did not survive.

Comments from some of the students included how realistic the scene was and that they are more



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

THE CULPRIT - Mike Shearer, acting drunk, is taken away by Department of Natural Resources Conservation officers.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

CRISIS CARE - Frederic Volunteer Fire Department members stabilize mock accident victim, Krystal Savoy, before the jaws of life were used to extricate her from the damaged car.

aware of the dangers of drunk driving.

An unidentified Frederic Township Volunteer Fireman commented, "If this helps save one kid, it's all been worth it."

Channel 9&10 news was there to film the event for later broadcast and one fire official was video taping the entire event for later use at area schools.

Students who participated in the mock accident were: accident victims - Krystal Savoy, Allison Schoen, and Travis Parkinson. Also, Brandi McClain, Katie Southard, Emily Wakeley, Mason Palmer, Nicole Craigie and Danielle McClanahan participated in the scene.

Bonkowski said that a drunk driving awareness program, in some form, will continue to be offered to area students, to help impress upon them the dangers of drinking and driving.

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Sunday, May 31, 1998
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The Township Compactor and Recycling Center on North Down River Road will be closed on Sunday, May 31. Items that are normally accepted at the Compactor/Recycling Center including recyclable and household trash, leaves and brush will not be accepted during the clean-up day at Hanson Hills.



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PATIENT STABILIZED - Krystal Savoy is placed on a backboard and her neck is stabilized to prevent damage to her spinal cord before being placed in an ambulance at the mock scene.

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Nine, public peace; two, OUIL/OUID; two, citations; seven, health & safety; two, miscellaneous crime; four, minors; one, insane; four, accidents; five, non-traffic accidents; one, traffic safety PR.

Three, false alarms; two, fire; two, hazardous conditions; one, accident other (near drowning); five, civil/family trouble; five, suspicious situation; one, natural death; five general assistance; 16 general non-criminal.

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office reported 91 incidents for the week of May 11 to May 18, 1998.



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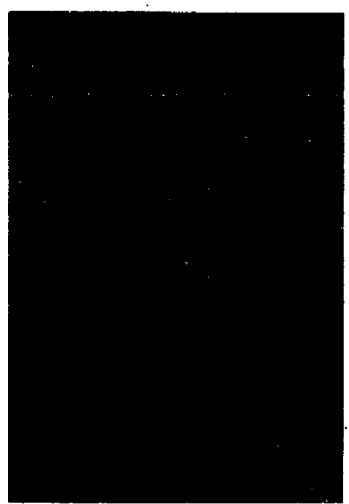
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Top Ten students named for GHS graduating Class of '98

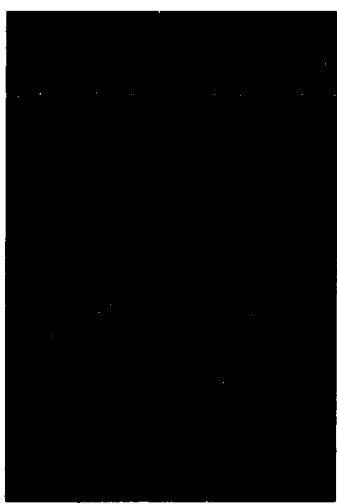
KELLY LEIGH KIEFER,

18, daughter of James and Pamela Kiefer plans to attend Spring Arbor College. Her course of study at this time is unknown. As a student at Grayling High School, she is a member of the choir and secretary of the national Honor Society. She was class treasurer during her sophomore year, a cheerleader and active in Teens for Christ. Her hobbies include singing, reading and spending time with friends. Time is also spent volunteering at Vacation Bible School and Camp Barakel. A Teens for Christ Scholarship and President Scholarship have been awarded to Kelly.



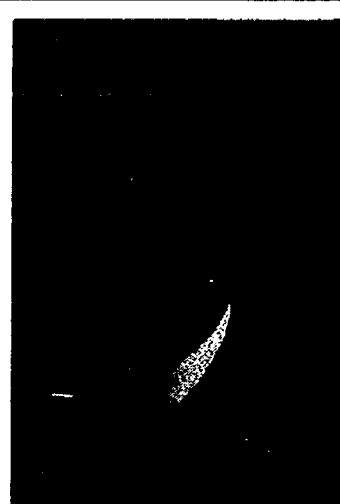
RAVI KEVIN RAMASWAMY,

17, son of Ram and Carol Ramaswamy has been accepted into the Honors Program at the University of Michigan and plans to enter into film and video study. Ravi is the vice president of the National Honor Society and has enjoyed soccer, skiing, tennis and drama at Grayling High School. He has been the student coordinator for the Red Cross Blood Drive and a referee for youth soccer. Ravi has been awarded the Regent Alumni Scholarship from U of M.



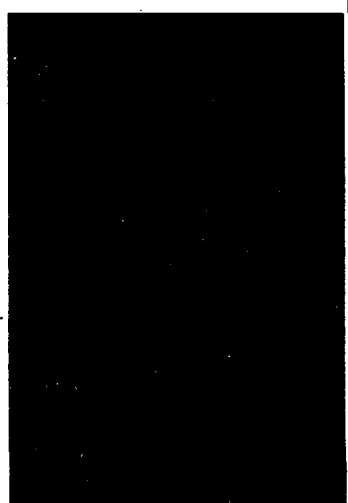
GORDON J. ELSNER,

17, son of Thomas and Lynne Elsner will be attending Michigan Technological University and study chemical engineering in the fall. He is a member of the National Honor Society and was named Academic All Conference. Gordon has participated in basketball and tennis while at Grayling High School and enjoys working at McDonald's and playing basketball.



KATHERINE A. FRITZ,

17, daughter of Debra Leslie will work a year and then decide on a college to attend. She would like to study biology or child care. At Grayling High School she has been a member of the National Honor Society, was a football cheerleader, and took the class Positive Peer Involvement. Her hobbies include reading, singing, being with friends and she volunteers at the blood banks, vacation bible school, and church nursery. Katherine is a member of Teens for Christ.



Top Ten



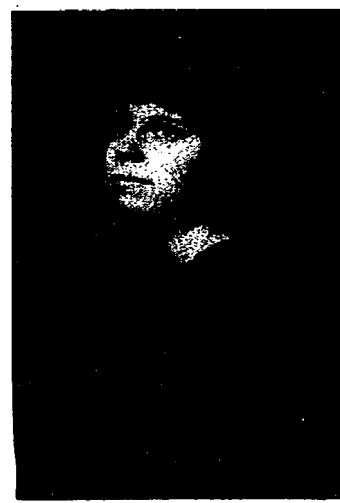
ERIN IVY MILLS,

18, daughter of Tom and Gayle Mills will study international law at Michigan State University - James Madison College. While at Grayling High School Erin has been a member of the National Honor Society, played tennis and basketball and was a Hugh O'Brian nominee. She has been a Homeless Shelter Camp and soup kitchen volunteer and worked on Booster Club breakfasts and field clean-up.



CHRISTINA KAY KENNEY,

18, daughter of Keith and Jean Kenney will attend Kirtland Community College for two years and transfer to Concordia College to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree specializing in graphics design. Christina is president of the National Honor Society and was the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation representative. At Grayling High School she also was sophomore class president and participated in drama, soccer and desk top publishing. She volunteers for nursery, vacation bible school and is her youth group president.



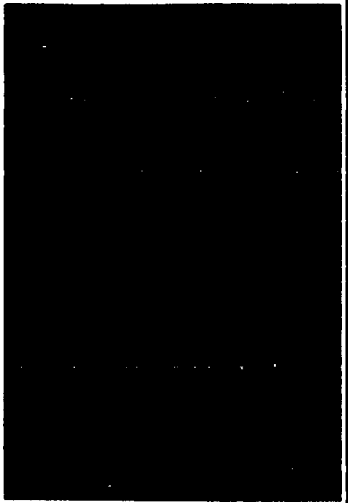
MELISSA ANN OSTWALD,

17, daughter of Tim and Christine Ostwald has been accepted at Grand Valley State University and her goal is to major in physical therapy. At Grayling High School she has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years, involved in track, volleyball, soccer, and pom poms. Melissa was awarded the title of Grayling Junior Miss and the Grayling Junior Miss Scholarship, Scholastic Achievement Award, and the Fitness Award. She has volunteered for the Ski for Light Program, volleyball line judge, Spanish caroling, bill stuffing and numerous jobs at a law office.



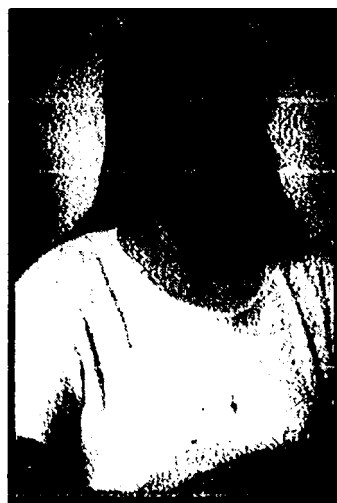
SHANNON DEE PAPENDICK,

17, daughter of Russell and Patricia Papendick plans to attend Northern Michigan University to become an English or Math teacher. She has been awarded the NMU Academics Honors Scholarship. While at Grayling High School, Shannon has been a member of the National Honor Society, vice president of 9th and 10th grade class councils, and participated in JV softball, varsity basketball and football cheerleading, stage crew for musical, and fly fishing club. She volunteers at blood banks, annual AuSable River clean-up, benefit dinner, and enjoys skiing and reading.



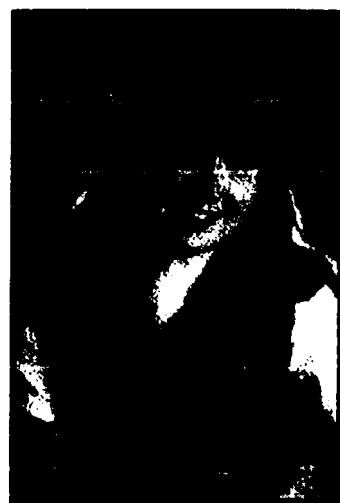
NICOLE ANN STROHPAUL,

17, daughter of Russell Strohpaul and Bonnie Vogel will attend Kirtland Community College in the fall and plans to transfer to Ferris State University to obtain a teaching certificate in accounting. For the last two years, she has been a member of the National Honor Society at Grayling High School. Her hobbies include bowling, and the Grayling Youth Bowling program, swimming, water skiing, and reading. She has volunteered at the community Thanksgiving Dinner for the past three years.

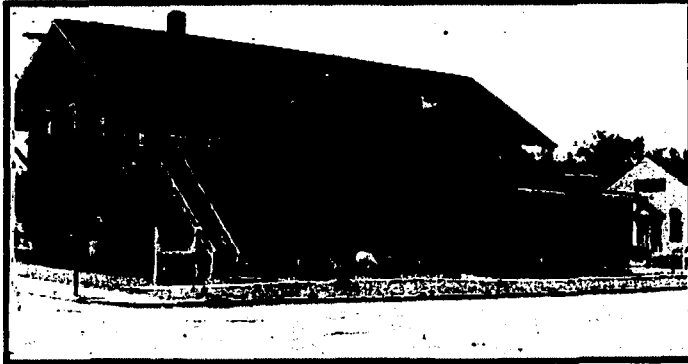


KARIE JEAN TINKER,

18, daughter of Natalie Czuba plans to attend Kirtland Community College in the fall and transfer to a four year university for a degree in elementary education. At Grayling High School, she is a member of the National Honor Society and on the Band Council. She has participated in band and soccer and enjoys band, music, and reading for hobbies.



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Grayling to host baseball and softball District tournaments

Grayling High School will be the site of the 1998 Class "B" District #35 Tournament for varsity baseball and softball.

The first round of games will begin on Tuesday, May 26 at 4 p.m.

Grayling's softball and baseball teams will each square off against Kalkaska in the first round. Houghton Lake, Harrison and Roscommon all drew "byes" in the first round.

The second round of games will

Girls Golf edges out Newberry

On Monday, May 11 the Grayling Girls Golf Team traveled to Mackinaw City to take on Newberry.

Grayling won by one stroke, 247-248.

"I believe this is the first ever win for the girls golf team," said Coach Tanya Wolcott.

The five team members who golfed in the win against Newberry are: Mary Anne Vollmer, Marde Argue, Melanie Green, Heather Potter and Erin McCarver.

The team went to Mt. Pleasant the next day for an invitational meet.

Eighteen teams participated, and places were only given out for the top four team finishes. Grayling failed to place in those top four spots.

Those who golfed in the Mt. Pleasant Invitational are: Megan Neuberger, Heidie Englund, Natalie Kent, Vollmer, Green, McCarver, Argue and Potter.

"Our team has really shown a lot of improvement this year," said Coach Wolcott.

take place on Saturday, May 30, with the rest of the games being played in succession.

In the girls softball tournament Houghton Lake and Roscommon will start out the day with a 10 a.m. matchup. After that game the winner of Grayling and Kalkaska's May 26

match will play Harrison.

The two teams remaining will then go head to head for the District championship and a place in the upcoming West Branch tournament.

In the baseball District tournament the winner of the Grayling versus Kalkaska game will start out the

second round on May 30 by taking on Harrison at 10 a.m.

The winner of that game will face either Houghton Lake or Roscommon in the final game.

The winner of the baseball tournament also advances to the West Branch tourney.

Michigan High School Athletic Association Class "B" District #35 Boys Baseball

Grayling

May 26 4:00 p.m.

Kalkaska

Time: 10:00 a.m.
on May 30

BYE

Harrison

Houghton Lake

Final Game
Time: 25 minutes
after Game Two
May 30

Winner advances
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Tournament

BYE

Houghton Lake

Time: 25 minutes
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May 30

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Roscommon

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Home Team is listed on
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Michigan High School Athletic Association Class "B" District #35 Girls Softball

Roscommon

BYE

Roscommon

Time: 10:00 a.m.
on May 30

BYE

Houghton Lake

Houghton Lake

Final Game
Time: 25 minutes
after Game Two
May 30

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Kalkaska

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Varsity baseball plays three doubleheaders in a week

by Dave Golnick
Student Writer

The Grayling Varsity Baseball team recently played Gaylord, Bay City John Glenn and Standish Sterling in a series of doubleheaders. Grayling won one and lost five during the week.

In the first series at Gaylord the Vikings split the prize by winning the first game, but let the second game slip away.

The first game was tightly contested, with Grayling coming out on top 4-1.

The Vikings, led by pitcher Josh Sheldon, held the Blue Devils to one run and only three hits.

The Grayling hitters preserved the lead by knocking in a few key insurance runs in the second inning.

In the second game the Vikings blew a late lead and fell by a score of 5-4.

Although the Vikings had a solid

game at the plate their fielding late in the game betrayed them. Gaylord scored four runs in the sixth and final inning to secure the victory.

Grayling's second series of the week was a home matchup with Bay City John Glenn. The Vikings lost both by scores of 8-2 and 6-3.

John Glenn took an early lead in the first of the doubleheader and never looked back. The Vikings were plagued by inconsistent hitting and shaky defense.

In the second game Bay City's Bobcats again jumped to an early lead and held it for the entire contest. The Vikings were only able to muster one solid offensive inning, in which they scored all three of their runs.

The third and final series of the week was against the Standish Sterling Panthers. Grayling dropped both games of this doubleheader as well.

The Panthers hit hard in the first game, winning by a score of 8-1.

The second game also ended in disappointment for the Vikings, losing 3-6.

The Grayling team mounted a promising comeback in the last inning, scoring three runs, but the Standish closer was able to shut

down the Vikings after that to secure the win.

Grayling will host Houghton Lake on Friday, May 22.

The Vikings are also preparing for District tournament action, which will take place next Tuesday, May 26.

Varsity Softball loses two close ones to Bay City John Glenn

Grayling High School's Varsity Softball Team hosted the third place team in the league, Bay City John Glenn, on Tuesday, May 12.

"The girls played them very strong. It was a disappointing loss,"

said Coach Donna Boughner.

Grayling lost the first game by a score of 2-3.

In the first inning Mandy Trudgeon led off with a base on balls. Melanie Paxton then stepped up and hit a single. Brandy Ritter advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt. Clean-up hitter Jean Zelek then picked up the first of her two RBIs on a sacrifice, scoring Trudgeon.

Grayling's other run came in the third inning, also courtesy of Zelek. Ritter doubled, and Zelek followed with a double of her own to score Ritter.

"The girls played very tight defense, but four errors cost them the contest," said Coach Boughner. "They fought back hard with the bats and had a chance to win in the bottom of the seventh," but in the end were unable to pull it off.

In the second game of the series Bay City came out on top 4-1.

Grayling's only run of the game came on a fourth inning home run by Brandy Ritter.

Nicki Osga pitched all fourteen innings for the Vikings.



ROUND TRIPPER -- The varsity softball team congratulates Brandy Ritter after her fourth inning home run.

Girls track goes to Regionals and Invitational meet

On Monday, May 11 the Grayling Girls Track Team traveled to the East Jordan Invitational.

"The seventeen team event allowed for intense competition similar to what they will see at the regional track meet," said Coach Diane Isenhauer.

Grayling's highlight performance came from the 3200 meter relay team: Brooke Ginther, Mary Dobry, Kathy Wyman and Karen Wyman.

The foursome ran its best time of the season at 10:25.9, which was good enough to qualify the team for the Bay City Times Meet to be held May 22.

The 3200 meter relay was the only Grayling event to qualify for the Bay City competition. Others will have a chance to qualify at the NEMC Meet on May 20.

Other Grayling athletes that earned points at the East Jordan Invitational were:

Nicole Craigie, 5th place, 100 meter dash; 6th place, 100 meter hurdles.

Ginther, 5th place, high jump.

The Class B Regional Track meet was held on Saturday, May 16 in Harrison.

Grayling had one athlete qualify for state competition: Brooke Ginther.

Ginther tied with five other girls for second place at regionals, which was good enough to win a spot at the May 30 state finals competition.

The 3200 meter relay team (Ginther, Dobry, Kathy Wyman, Karen Wyman) just missed qualifying for state.

"A second place would have qualified them for the state finals at the end of the month. They ran a very good time despite the third place finish," said Coach Isenhauer.

JV baseball's '98 season in review

by Dave Golnick
Student Writer

Grayling's Junior Varsity baseball team is nearing the end of their season, with just one more series to play.

The Vikings are currently 12-10 overall.

The opening series of the season had Grayling pitted against Boyne City. The Vikings swept the series, winning the games by scores of 12-2 and 13-6.

Brad Gorski and Levi Burkette were the winning pitchers. Ryan Mahaffy led Grayling's offensive attack, going 6 for 8 at the plate.

Grayling also swept its second series of the year, beating a solid Ogemaw Heights team by scores of 5-4 and 11-6. Gorski and Mike D'Amour were the winning pitchers.

Mike Ketchum batted 5 for 6 and Mahaffy again had a good day at the plate, hitting 4 for 9.

In the next series Gladwin handed the Vikings their first losses, beating Grayling 13-3 and 11-1.

The Vikings then headed to Gaylord to take on the Blue Devils.

This series ended in a split. Grayling won the first 16-5 but lost the second, a close game at 7-8.

D'Amour picked up the win in the first game and Mahaffy again led the hitting charge, going 4 for 7 on the night.

Grayling next hosted Tawas, making a sweep of the Braves 15-10 and 5-0.

Ray Trudgeon pitched the second game shutout and Gorski racked up

another win in the first.

Grayling's sixth series of the year was against the Oscoda Owls at home.

Oscoda won the first game 1-0, despite a strong pitching performance by Gorski, who struck out nine and surrendered only three hits on the night.

The Vikings regrouped and won the second game by a 10-0 score. D'Amour pitched the shut-out to pick up the win. Mike Pratt led the offensive effort with a 3 for 5 hitting display.

Grayling split with Kalkaska, winning one 5-2 and losing the other 3-6. Gorski and Trudgeon led the offense, combining for an 8 for 13 performance.

The team next traveled to Pinconning to take on a strong Spartans squad. Grayling was defeated by scores of 16-13 and 10-1. Gorski and Trudgeon again led the hitting charge, each going 3 for 5.

The next series was a rematch with Gaylord, this time held on Grayling's home field.

Grayling won both games, 5-4 and 12-1.

Gorski pitched a two-hitter in the first game, striking out 11.

Trudgeon won the second, pitching a five-hitter.

Ketchum led the hitting assault with a 6 for 6 effort. Gorski also had a solid game at 5 for 6.

The Vikings next lost a series versus Bay City John Glenn by scores of 7-4 and 15-4.

Grayling split a doubleheader

with Standish, losing the first 3-5 and then rebounding with a 17-7 victory in the second.

Team leaders in hitting so far are: Mahaffy, with a .467 average, 17 RBIs, 17 stolen bases; Ketchum, .455 average, 15 RBIs; Gorski, .441 average, 17 RBIs and a team leading 24 stolen bases.

Leading pitchers for the year are: Gorski, 46 innings pitched, 45 strikeouts, 11 base on balls, a 4-2 overall record; Trudgeon, 28 innings pitched, 22 strikeouts, 9 base on balls, overall record of 4-2.



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Boys Basketball Camp For 2nd-4th graders

There will be a boys basketball camp this summer at the Grayling Middle School for 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders (current 1st-3rd graders).

The camp will take place from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Monday through Wednesday June 8-10.

Coach Rich Moffitt will be the director of the camp.

The camp will stress offensive skill development and team play, as well as the fundamentals, shooting, passing and ball handling.

Featured aspects of the basketball camp will include: a free throw contest, a long shot contest, a hot shot contest, five on five league games, a three on three tournament and plenty of fun competition.

In order to participate parents must fill out the registration form and return it to one of the locations listed at the top of the form.

Boys Basketball Camp For 5th-8th graders

The boys basketball camp for 5th-8th graders (current 4th-7th graders) will take place on June 8-10 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Grayling High School.

Coach Moffitt will be the camp director.

Camp will concentrate on fundamentals, shooting, passing and ball handling, as well as offensive skills and team play.

There will be a free throw contest, a hot shot contest, a three on three tournament, a long shot competition and five on five league games.

Boys Football Camp For 5th-8th graders

The Viking Football Veer Camp, run by Coach Rod Patterson, will take place on June 8-10 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Grayling High School.

The camp will emphasize both offensive and defensive fundamentals.

Instruction will be given to all offensive positions, and campers will learn basic plays and steps of the Veer Triple Option Offense.

The defensive aspect of the camp will cover alignments, coverages and pass rush techniques.

The Veer Camp will feature seven on seven league games and punt, pass and kick competitions.

Both Summer Camps For 5th-8th graders

Those who attend both the football and basketball camps for 5th-8th graders can take advantage of a special price, \$36 for the two camps.

The price covers camp T-shirt and lunch, which will be served after the basketball camp and before the foot-

ball camp, between 11 a.m. and noon each day.

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Boys track results for Invitational meet and Regional competition

Grayling Boys Track participated in the East Jordan Invitational meet on May 11 and finished fourth out of 16 teams.

"I'm really happy with how well we ran, and how we placed as a team," said Coach Keith Seybert. "In two events Grayling set new meet records."

Nathan Hinkle set a meet record

with a first place high jump at 6' 2.5".

Grayling's second meet record of the Invitational was set by the 400 meter relay team, which placed first with a time of 45.5. The four members of the relay team are: Hinkle, Travis Parkinson, Brad Wilson, Jesse Hannum.

Coach Seybert also noted: "Mickey McClain injured his knee in the 110 highs and had to scratch the 300 meter hurdles and drop out of the mile relay. His performances were missed."

Placements other than the two record-setting events include: Parkinson, 5th place, 400 meter dash.

Hinkle, 3rd place, 200 meter dash. Hannum, Wilson, Parkinson and Hinkle, 3rd place, 800 meter relay.

Nathan Beckwith, 2nd place, long jump, jump of 19' 1".

Brian McCurdy, David Hawkins, Hannum, Parkinson, 4th place, 1600 meter relay.

Grayling also took part in the May 16 Regional track meet in Harrison.

Nate Hinkle was the lone state qualifier for the Viking team, winning the high jump competition with a 6' 6" leap.

The only other Viking placement was a sixth place finish for the 3200 meter relay team, which is made up of Jason Boreo, Armand Lawrence, Hawkins and Mark Hopkins.

"I was hoping for a few more of the boys to qualify for the State Finals, but it just didn't happen this year. We were not as sharp as we have been at some other meets," said Coach Seybert. "I am happy for Nate Hinkle, he jumped really well and has potential to do well at the State Finals."

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3rd place finishers in each classification.

"We are looking forward to a good turnout this year, last year participant numbers doubled, we would love to see that happen again," comments race director Cindy Olson, "we have added the mountain Bike Races to this weekend and we hope that will bring us even more runners."

Registration fee for the race is \$12 postmarked by June 1 and \$15 for late registration. Late registration will be accepted from 8 to 8:45 a.m. on race day.

The Hanson Hills Challenge Mountain Bike races begins a 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 6 with the "Get

Twisted Dual Slalom" at 1 p.m. offering races in expert, sport, beginner and Women's classes with a \$790 purse.

Sunday events include Elite Men-7 laps with a \$500 purse for the top ten finishers. Expert Women-6 laps with a \$350 purse for the top 5 and expert men 6 laps awards up to top 10. There are 5 age groups in the Elite/Expert events.

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Pre-registration for the "Get Twisted Dual Slalom" is \$15. The Cross country Event is \$20 and the Kids Races are \$5. Registration forms are available at the Bicycle Shop in Grayling. The Hanson Hills Challenge Mountain Bike Race is sponsored by Fun Promotions, Inc.

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Eric Spangler inherited the lead mid way in the race when early leader Bob Wilson pitted and lead almost all the rest of the race. Mike Nichols worked his way to second spot for the win and hit the front stretch wall instead. Spangler was disqualified and Flinn was the winner followed by Rail Rokos, Matt Sprague, Don Marcoullier, Bruce Vance, Brent Banning, Larry Aldrich, Scott Goyings, and Nichols.

Mike Fenske evaded Joe Johnsons late charge to win the "B" main ahead of Chad Foster, Marty Buffum, Steve Anderson, and Ray Chalker. Heats went to Steve DeKam, Garry McKinley (back in a late, maddy), Vance, and Don Biddle. Flinn won the dash over Banning, Nichols, and Rokos.

In his first year in a Michigan Modified, Clay Chambers held off Brian Tragear, Joey Fowler and Bob Kingen to win the Mich Mod feature event. Behind Kingen were Darryl Chappel, Nate Bregenzer, Greg Wrangler, Mark Kurth, Willard VanHaitsma, and Kevin Borgen. Borgen won the "C" main over Bill Scott, Dave Hatfield, Jerry Bazuin, and Buster Field.

In the "B" main it was Bill Whittington, Roger Fussman, Tom Rose, Dave Mairose, and Kevin Spencer. Bill Oliver, Jim Smith, Brent Banning (doing double duty), and Chambers. Oliver also took the dash win.

After missing his heat, JT Anderson came back to win the feature for the Pro Truck class. Dave Schram worked his way to second ahead of Ron Hall, Jim McSwain, Russ Hacker, Rollie Anderson, Matt Saxton, Matt Mead, John Schneider, and Tom Kushmal. Kushmal and Schram took the heat honors and Hill was the dash winner

ahead of Mead, McSwain and Kushmal.

Tim Towne had a big night as he won his heat and went on to win the feature for the Street Stocks. Bob Green gave him a run for his money but had to settle for second followed by Mark Kaufma, Tom Blake, Louie Peterson, Leon Bidoul, Dennis Leusby, Jim Lucas, Richard Clay and Bill Meyers. Jim Kinney won the "B" main. Dave DeKam, Dan Wilson, Leusby and Jow Chambers followed. Besides Towne, heats were won by Leusby and DeKam.

This week May 23 will be Cadillac Insurance Center Spring Championships, also Ace Electric/ Banning Electric Michigan Modified Double Down.

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Then second place went to the team of: Jill Anderson, Sue Brenner and Balkis Shippy with a 58.

Third place went to the team of Mary Hamblin, Sandy Jorae, Joyce

Ross and Deanne Weiss with a 59.

There were 2 chip-ins this week, one by Gloria Kraus on the #12 and Deanne Weiss on the #15.

After a delicious lunch of meat and/or vegetable lasagna, salad, roll and dessert, President Carolyn Diponio, welcomed new members Jean Arwood and Julie Calkins. Glad to have you with us.

We also sang "Happy Birthday" to Evie Kent. She wouldn't tell us her age, so she must be "49" like a lot of the rest of us!

It was also announce the JoAnn Michal fell last week and broke her ankle. When we golf the front nine, maybe you could sit on #8 by old "Angus" - he has a broken front too! That's all "fore" now.

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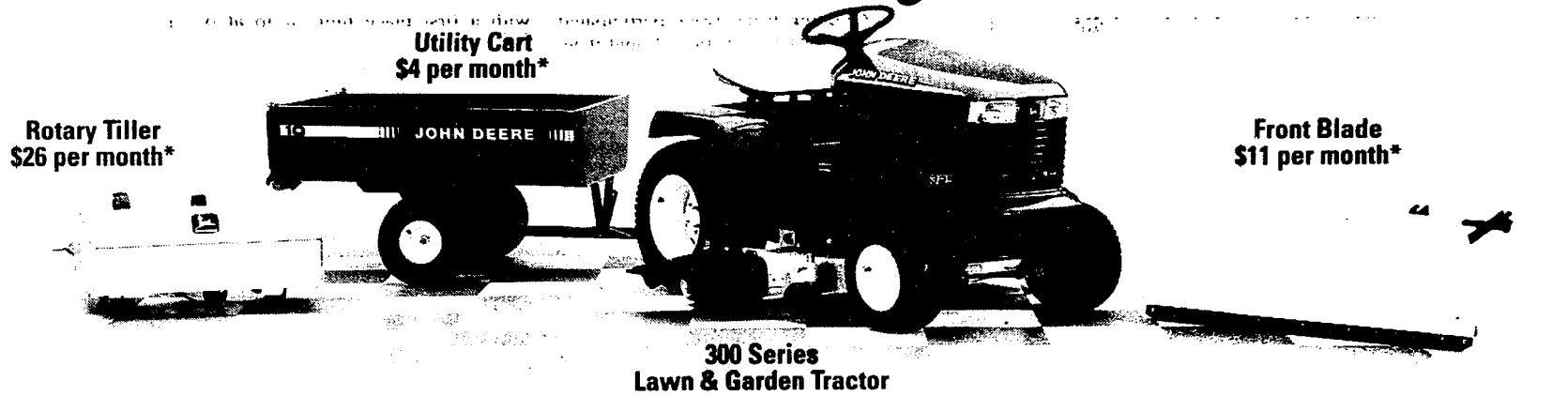
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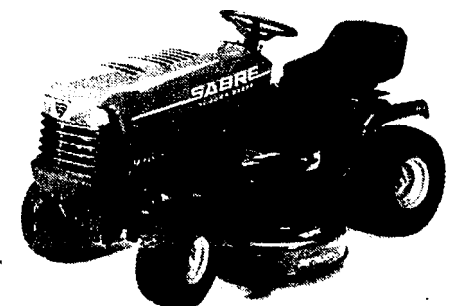


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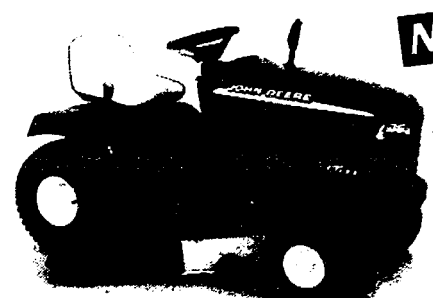
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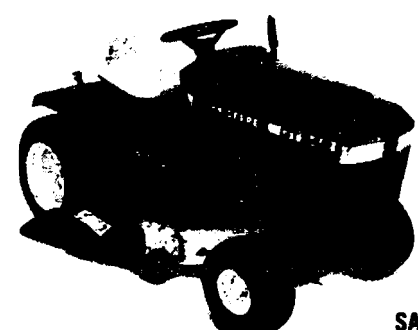
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Robert A. Howden and Lisa R. Howden, his wife, of Grayling, Michigan, Mortgages, to Capstone Mortgage Corp., of Royal Oak, Michigan, Mortgagee, dated the 8th day of October, 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 28th day of October, 1997, in Liber 440, of Crawford County Records, on pages 449-455, which said mortgage was thereafter assigned to Robert Handelsman, PSP, POA, by assignment dated October 8, 1997, and recorded on March 20, 1998, in the office of the Register of Deeds for said county of Crawford, in Liber 449, of Crawford County Records, on page 464, and Notice of Acceleration having been duly given to said Mortgageors, on December 10, 1997. There is claimed to be due on said Mortgage as of April 17, 1998, principal and interest in the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Eight and 08/100 Dollars (\$37,528.08), plus Fourteen and 33/100 Dollars (\$14.33) interest per day thereafter, from April 18, 1998.

No suit or proceedings at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, Therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Thursday, the 4th day of June, 1998, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Local Time, highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Court House, in Grayling, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held) of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, including interest thereon at the rate of Fifteen percent (15.000%) per annum, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Crawford County, Michigan, described as follows:

Lot 3, Block 24 of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 91 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

c/k/a/ 704 Park, Grayling, MI 49738

Item # 070-200-024-003-00
During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during the 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated at Farmington Hills, Michigan April 14, 1998

Robert Handelsman PSP POA
Assignee of Mortgage
Lawrence M. Nedelman
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee
30600 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334

—23-30-7-14-21

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 27th day of April 1998 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Golinick, Stevens, Brown, Ruddy. Members absent: Palmer. Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Ray Swiercz, Craig Schripsema, Fay Bovee, Bob Bovee, Dennis Long, Caleb Casey, Roger Mosher.

Moved by Golinick, supported by Brown that the minutes of the meeting of April 20, 1998 be approved as presented. Ayes, 4; Nays, 0; Absent, 1; motion carried.

Public Hearing. None.

Communications were received and noted.

a. Fire Department March 1998 Report.

b. Letter to Rep. Lowe re: HB 4932.

c. Letter from Terry Wright re: City Utilities Agreement.

d. Letter from Hill & Schroderus re: City Finance Data.

Old Business. None.

New Business.

a. Paving of North Down River Road at City Limits. Ray Swiercz and Craig Schripsema spoke to Council about the city participating in the paving of N. Down River Road at the city limits. The requested city money would be \$40,000. Total project cost would be \$189,000 plus or minus with a grant of \$100,000 from the State, \$50,000 from Grayling Township and the balance from C.C.R.C. \$25,000 cash and the balance in-kind. Ruddy asked questions regarding city utilities under this road. Mayor Stevens asked several questions about road design. He also asked about the use of city funds on county roads and the legal implications of same. Ms. Brown asked about the cost of whole project which was explained in the 2 sections proposed in letter for Council. Mr. Swiercz stated that if the city did not participate the work would only be done from Michigan Avenue to Wilcox Bridge Road and the total cost would be \$125,000 plus or minus.

Council made no decision on the request and thanked Mr. Schripsema for his presentation. They noted that they will advise the Road Commission of the city decision soon.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Ms. Bovee ask about Borphers and new sidewalk fill in with dirt where it needs to be done and other items in her previous letter. Mr. Morford stated that he had talked to Ms. Hunter and would be working with he to achieve a solution satisfactory to the Hunters and the City.

b. Ms. Bovee inquired about cars parked across the sidewalk between Ingham and Michigan Avenue so you can't walk on the sidewalk. Mr. Long stated that the city police have been ticketing cars for this and will continue to do so. Mr. Morford noted that you can't wave a magic wand and make people quit parking on sidewalks but we will try to enforce the ordinance more.

c. Mr. Long commented on how nice the streets look with curbs and sidewalks but is concerned about the City Council using income tax money that we have put aside for city

sidewalks and streets for the county road project.

Reports of City Manager.

a. Elected Officials Academy in June.

b. Burning inside the City. The City adopted the BOCA Fire Code and recreation cooking fires are allowed.

c. Working with the Chamber on the Industrial Park sign

d. Investment Policy, will be attending meeting with the City Treasurer.

e. Meeting in East Tawas May 1st.

f. Mr. Graf has been in town working on street project.

Reports of Council Members:

a. Mr. Ruddy reported on Housing Commission court case of last week. They lost the case in the amount of \$55,000.

b. Mr. Ruddy ask about the shortage in the 911 system. Has real concerns for the citizens of Grayling and Crawford County. Mr. Long, speaking as a County Commissioner representing the City, ask people to attend their meeting on Tuesday where they are going to discuss this matter.

Adjournment.

Moved by Stevens, supported by Golinick that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes, 4; Nays, 0; Absent, 1; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford,
City Manager & City Clerk

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

ROBERTA TREMAIN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR AND WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Laura M. Bonenfant to United States of America, acting through the Farmers, Home Administration, U.S. Dept. Of Agriculture now known as USDA, Rural Development Mortgagee, dated August 10, 1994, and recorded on August 10, 1994, in Liber 382, on page 53, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of fifty eight thousand four hundred and 20/100 Dollars (\$58,400.20), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 a.m. on June 3, 1998.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot eleven (#11) Wheel-In-Estates, A recorded plat of the northeast 1/4 of section 18 T25N, R3W, Recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 28, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 23, 1998

USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Mortgagee

ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.

401 South Old Woodward Avenue

Suite 300

Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

-23-30-7-14-21

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

MIKA, MEYERS, BECKETT & JONES, P.L.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default has occurred in the conditions of a Mortgage made by Hawkins Oil of Michigan, Inc., a Delaware corporation, 400 South Boston, Suite 800, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, mortgagor, to KCS Energy Marketing, Inc., a Delaware corporation, 5555 San Felipe, Suite 1200, Houston, Texas 77056, mortgagee, dated effective as of October 1, 1995, and recorded in the Office of Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, on February 7, 1996, in Liber 407, Page 116. Because of said default, the mortgagee has, pursuant to Section 5.03 of said Mortgage, declared the entire unpaid amount secured by said Mortgage due and payable forthwith.

As of the date of this notice, there is claimed to be due for principal, interest and expenses on said Mortgage the sum of \$1,128,039.16. Additional interest, costs and other sums may continue to accrue. Said Mortgage covers real property other than that described herein and located in other counties which real property is also being foreclosed upon. No suit or proceeding in law has been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount with interest, as provided in said Mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorneys' fees allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums, if any, paid by the undersigned before sale, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the Mortgaged Property at public sale to the highest bidder at the front lobby of the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan, on June 18, 1998, at 10:00 a.m.

Notice is further given that the length of the redemption period will be six months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale.

The property to be sold pursuant to the power of sale provided for in the Mortgage includes mortgagor's interest in the Well(s), Drilling Unit(s), and Lease(s) described below, including mortgagor's working interests and net revenue interests therein ("WT" and "NRI", respectively), subject, however, to the Permitted Encumbrances described in the Mortgage. The property to be sold pursuant to the power of sale provided for in the Mortgage also includes an equivalent interest in all wells now or hereafter situated on the Lands covered by the Leases or lands pooled, unitized or communitized therewith (herein collectively referred to as the "Wells" and individually as a "Well"), all well equipment, machinery, fixtures and other items of personal property of every character in any manner whatsoever related to any of the Wells or used or held for use in connection with mineral operations related to any of the Wells, including all gauges, derricks, rigs, machinery, supplies, separators, pumping units, tanks, pipe, pipe lines, field gathering lines and systems, tubing, casing, rods, fittings, meters, tools, valves, gasoline extraction plants, processing, compression, dehydration, extraction plants and other fixtures, facilities, equipment, appurtenances, accessories and improvements of every kind and character, and all additions, replacements or substitutions to or for such equipment now owned or hereafter acquired for such purposes.

Field: Frederick 7, Crawford Co., MI
A. Well(s), Unit(s), Mortgagor's WI and NRI:

HEALTHLINE

What to do if a tornado comes

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A.,
Health Educator

Q. After watching recent TV news reports on violent weather, I became concerned about tornados. What should we do if one approaches?

A. When it comes to tornados, your immediate action can mean the difference between safety and injury or even life and death. The following suggestions are those of the American Red Cross entitled "Tornado Safety Rules."

• In office buildings go to an interior hallway on a lower floor or in the basement.

• In factories post a lookout if a warning is received. The factory should have made advance plans for employees to move quickly to the section of the building that offers the greatest protection.

• In homes, small buildings and vehicles - go to the basement or to an interior part of the house on the lowest level, preferably a closet, bathroom or interior hall. Get under something sturdy and stay away from windows. If in a mobile home (which may overturn) or vehicle, leave and go to a substantial structure such as a community building. If driving, leaving the vehicle and lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert and

shield your head with your arms. Do not try to outrun a tornado with your vehicle.

• In schools - go to an interior hallway in the lowest floor. Avoid large rooms with wide free span roofs such as auditoriums and gymnasiums. If the building is not of reinforced construction, go to a nearby building that is or else move quickly to an open ditch and lie flat.

As a general rule - inside shelter in a tornado cellar, underground excavation or steel framed or reinforced concrete building is the best protection from tornados. Stay away from windows. Keep in mind that the term "tornado watch" means tornados are expected to develop while "tornado warning" means a tornado has actually been sighted in the area.

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1, which serves Wexford, Kalkaska, Crawford and Missaukee counties. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Linda DeMarchis, M.A., or Carleen Hubbell, M.A., Health Educators, District Health Dept. No. 1, 401 Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601.

STATE OF MICHIGAN 46th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD Notice of Foreclosure Sale

FILE No. 96-3980 -CH

Plaintiff name,

Eileen E. Davis Inter Vivos Trust.

Plaintiff's attorney,

John B. Huss (P15297)

P.O. Box 948

Grayling, MI 49738

(517) 348-5431

Defendant,

Timothy G. Cooley.

Defendant's attorney,

Noel L. Lippman (P16719)

198 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 69

Almont, MI 48003-0069

(810) 798-8333

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

1. On August 15, 1997 the 46th Circuit Court of Crawford County Michigan entered Judgement in favor of the plaintiff(s) EILEEN E. DAVIS INTER VIVOS TRUST and against the defendant(s), TIMOTHY G. COOLEY.

2. On Tuesday, June 20, 1998 at public auction to be held at 200 W. Michigan Ave., City of Grayling, Michigan in this county, I shall offer for sale to the highest bidder all of the right, title and interest of defendant(s) in and to the following property:

The E 1/2 of the E 1/2 of the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 13, T26N, R3W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Dated: May 11, 1998

Sandra Moore, County Clerk

-21-28-4-11-18-25

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold PUBLIC HEARINGS on Tuesday, May 26, 1998, beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the conference room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (West M-72), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following requests:

Case #98-3: Douglas H. and Nancy A. Hodges, petitioners
259 W. Federal Highway
Roscommon, MI 48653
Property Code: 20-040-44-031-08-020-00
Location: 720 N. U.S. 27, Grayling
Section 31, T27N, R3W

A request to approve one of the following:

A. Re-zone the above described parcel from General Commercial (C-1) to Light Commercial (C-2) which allows warehousing (mini-storage) as a principal use.

or

B. Amend Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 Sec. 12.0 General Commercial District (C-1) to allow warehousing as a Conditional Use.

Grayling Township Planning Commission, petitioner
P.O. Box 521
Grayling, MI 49738

Location: Effects all of Grayling Township

A request to amend Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 92-2 to add the following definition:

Section 3.0: Communication Tower: A radio, telephone, cellular telephone or television relay structure of skeleton framework, or monopole attached directly to the ground or to another structure, used for the transmission or reception of radio, telephone, cellular telephone, television, microwave or any other form of telecommunication signals.

Also, to amend Section 20.1 by deleting paragraph E of the Footnotes to Schedule of Regulations and adding site, developmental requirements and standards of performance regarding the above described communication towers.

Ordinances, maps and case files are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Offices during regular business hours. Correspondence concerning the requests may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI. 49738. Phone (517)348-4361 or FAX (517)348-6731.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITY BOARD POSITION

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for a position on the Building Authority. Applicants are required to be county residents and requested to have a genuine interest in all building and properties belonging to the county. The Authority is incorporated for the purpose of acquiring, furnishing, equipping, owning, improving, enlarging, operating and/or maintaining a county courthouse, jail and/or other building parking lots and necessary structures for Crawford County. Applications can be obtained and submitted to Sandra Moore no later than June 3, 1998 at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore

Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
4276 WEST NORTH DOWN RIVER ROAD
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

MAY 14, 1998

The policies governing business operations, property and affairs of the CCTA are established by a seven member board of directors. The term of office for all members of the board of directors is six years.

The term of office for one seat on the CCTA board of directors expires on June 30, 1998. The individual currently filling this position is eligible for reappointment, as is any other individual who does not hold elected or appointed office with the County of Crawford.

Individuals interested in serving on the CCTA board of directors should submit a written expression of that interest to the attention of David C. Frederick at the address stated above. In order for applications to be considered, they must be received prior to 4:00 p.m. Friday May 29, 1998.

All applications received will be reviewed and considered by the CCTA board of directors, and a recommendation for appointment will be made to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners will act on the CCTA's recommendation in making the appointment.

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HAVING A GARAGE SALE?

Signs available at the
Crawford County
Avalanche office
102 Michigan Ave.

NOTICE FOR BIDS BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP

Beaver Creek Township will be accepting bids for a Level II Assessor. Our Township has \$64 million taxable and approximately 2,300 parcels. The position is part-time with contract beginning July 1, 1998. Records are computerized with Equalizer software. Bids/resumes should be submitted by June 5, 1998, 2:00 p.m. to Beaver Creek Township Clerk, 8994 S. Oak Road, Grayling 49738, (517)275-8878. The Township reserves the right to reject any & all bids, to accept other than the lowest bid and to make decisions in the best interest of the township.

Sharon K. Hartman, Clerk

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NOTICE

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP ACCEPTING RESUMES FOR POSITION OF SUPERVISOR

The board wishes for the following information: Past experience, education, and a short statement on how your being a supervisor would be an asset to South Branch Township residents. The deadline is June 1, 1998 Monday at 12 NOON. Must be a resident of the township. Salary is preset by the electors at the annual meeting. Send resumes to PO Box 606 Roscommon, MI 48653 and/or deliver to the township office.

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting will be held on June 1, 1998 at 7:30 at the South Branch Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, MI 517-275-8232. The purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss resumes for the position of supervisor. With appointment to follow, immediately.

Laura Smith, Clerk

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FACTS AND
FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of May 24-30

ARIES

March 21-April 20

If you think you've been stuck in the same rut for awhile, don't fret. Refocus your energies on old interests or find something new. Reevaluating where the majority of your time is invested is your first step. Work on renewing some old friendships.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

Don't let the week go by without setting aside some funds for the weekend. You need to be able to enjoy a couple of days without the pressure of money worries. Think about something special you could do for someone who has been a lot of help to you.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

Work-related expenses may mean a drain on your budget. They are necessary expenses to help you get ahead, so you may have to cut back in another area. Be willing to accept change at home. It's time to rethink your priorities to make sure you're on the right track.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

So you don't like the project you've been assigned... work through it, and you'll have it completed soon. Depend on a coworker to help you get it done, and you'll gain new respect for him/her. Don't forget an important family date coming soon.

LEO

July 23-August 23

Try to sneak in some time for that special person in your life, even though you're bogged down at work. Just a couple of hours can make all the difference in your relationship. Have someone at work give you a hand with all the paperwork that's accumulated.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Relax and do something special with your family one night this week. It will give you a break from a hectic week; but more importantly, it will make your family members feel special. Watch your back at work this week. Document any controversial situations.

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

A major decision looms in your future. Before you do anything about it, gather information so you can choose wisely. Set a plan and start by asking the advice of someone who could be considered an expert in this area. Weigh all your "free" advice carefully.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

You're overwhelmed by all the little jobs at work. Delegate. It will free up some of your time to work on the more challenging, creative projects. Speaking of projects, that one you've been neglecting at home is no closer to being done. This is the week to tackle it.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Talking about a problem may help ease some of the stress. Take a good friend and listener to dinner and use him/her as a sounding board. Be happy your workload has gotten a little lighter. But don't get too excited—things will heat up soon.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Things are busy at work and even more hectic at home. Maybe it's time to call in reinforcements on the home front. You have two options—ask a friend for help or call in the pros. Either way, everything will get done, and you'll have some free time, too.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

If things seem tight financially for you this week, consider calling in some of the loans you've made to family and friends. Just one may help you breathe a little more easily. Or look into taking on some extra work from your job to pick up some extra dollars.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

You've been putting off dealing with a family problem. It's time to face it head-on. Procrastinating won't make things any easier, and in fact will make things worse. Be helpful to someone who's new in your company or department this week.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CRUNCHY CITRUS SALSA CHICKEN
(SERVES 4)

- Chicken
1 c. toasted wheat germ
2 t. ground cumin
1/4 t. cayenne pepper
2 egg whites
1 T. water
4 skinned and boned chicken breast halves

- Salsa
1 1/2 c. peeled, diced oranges
1/2 c. chopped red bell pepper
1/4 c. chopped pitted black olives
1/4 c. chopped red onion
2 T. chopped cilantro

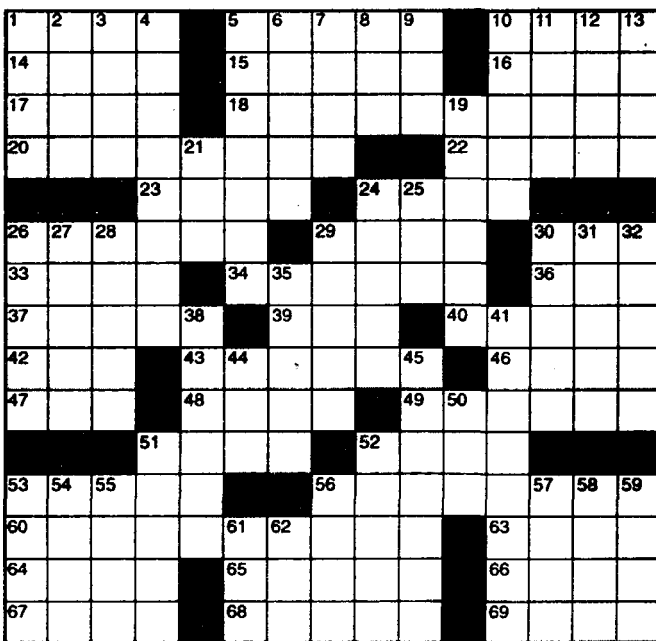
Heat oven to 400°F. Combine wheat germ and spices; mix well. Beat egg whites and

water until frothy. Dip chicken into egg mixture, then into wheat germ mixture. Dip Chicken again, coating thoroughly. Arrange on baking sheet sprayed with cooking spray. Spray chicken breasts with cooking spray. Bake 18 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink. combine salsa ingredients; serve with chicken.



HOME NEEDED - Bertha and Beulah are 9 week old beagle mix puppies. They are both females. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Va-va-va-
5. Mother (Spanish)
10. Weight unit
14. Woody Guthrie's son
15. Man... town
16. Pickpocket, to Pedro
17. Critic Rex
18. Teases
20. Sam (Bugs Bunny's nemesis)
22. Debuts
23. Lucid
24. Noisy outburst
26. Nebraska river
29. Flightless bird
30. Indy unit
33. Noble name
34. Embroidery hole
36. Kuwait export
37. Knuckles under
39. Olive of cartoons
40. Idolize
42. French refusal
43. Most senior
46. Baffled
47. Married mujer: abbr.
48. Must
49. Scarcest
51. Bomb out
52. Grade
53. Feature

56. Begin
60. IHOP condiment (2 wds.)
63. Asta's mistress
64. Kniefel of stunts
65. Honking birds
66. Start for green or lasting
67. Sparks and Buntline
68. Woolen fabric
69. Swimmer Fraser

DOWN

1. Differ
2. Cookie favorite
3. Shouts for the matador
4. With humility
5. Daytime performance
6. Subside
7. Said's partner
8. Furrow
9. Greek letter
10. Beef
11. Tear down
12. Egyptian solar disk
13. transit
19. Humbert Humbert's obsession
21. Tumbler's protection
24. Fish features
25. Stun
26. Mexican laborers
27. Cabinet department
28. Pittsburgh's Civic, for one
29. Brought into conformity
30. Freed
31. Tunes (Spanish)
32. Make folds
35. Emulate Jimmie Rodgers
38. 100 in Washington
41. Dimmed
44. Waikiki wreath
45. Walked heavily
50. Chair rest
51. Loads
52. Stuart Little, e.g.
53. Feds
54. Enthuse
55. Copied
56. Saskatchewan Indian
57. Lox ordered at Zabars
58. Racing shells sport
59. Obtain by work
61. Army officer: abbr.
62. Evergreen

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST
FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO
May 15, 1975

Forest fires over the past weekend ravaged over 12,000 acres in the counties of Crawford, Roscommon and Kalkaska as hundreds of men from 28 DNR fire units, national guardsmen and local citizens were called to fight the blazes.

The Michigan Council of Scuba Divers will make their annual cleanup of the Main Stream of the AuSable River.

Craig Dandy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dandy of Grayling, earned his B.S. in Liberal Arts at Northern Michigan University.

Airman First Class, Jackie Blaauw of Luke Air Force Base, Phoenix, Ariz., is spending a month's leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaauw.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doroh attended Mrs. Howard (Jessie) Bunker's 75th birthday anniversary open house at the home of her daughter on Saturday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Laird Murray of Roscommon on May 7, a daughter, Abigail Jocelyn, weighing 7 lbs. 8 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Townsend of Grayling are the parents of a son, David Scott, born May 12 and weighing 8 lbs. 3 ozs.

Black and White specials: Flour 5 lbs., 59¢; Kingsford Charcoal 10 lb. bag, \$1.09; Beef Liver, 69¢ lb.; Pepsi-Cola 8 pk.-12 oz. cans, 85¢.

Comfort Center specials: sofa bed - sleeps two! full size only \$88 (free bed sheet included); Sertapedic mattress \$68 twin or queen \$198.

46 YEARS AGO
May 15, 1952

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hoffman are happy over the arrival of a son, born

May 10th. Anthony Jay weighed seven pounds, eleven ounces. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Dunham and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoffman.

Miss Ann Hanson is a new employee at the Cadillac Overall Supply Company.

New sidewalk has been poured in front of Shoppenagons Inn and Baringer's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Douglas have returned from a meeting of the Grand Court of Michigan. Order of the Amaranth at Flint, where the former was elected Grand Associate Patron of the Grand Court.

Sheriff and Mrs. William Golnick and son, Harold and Mrs. and Mrs. Art Worden and son, Gerald, spent several days in Canada the first of the week, fishing.

Duane R. Cassidy of the Air Force wishes to thank all those who sent him cards and letters while he was in the hospital at Lakeland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

69 YEARS AGO
May 16, 1929

Miss Fedora Montour, a graduate of St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital Training School of Grayling, has just been appointed supervisor of the Women's Department of Mercywood Sanitarium, Ann Arbor.

The records show that 22 marriages were consummated in Crawford County during the year 1927. Four divorces were granted in the county last year compared to 12 in 1927.

Many people were surprised to awaken this morning and find the ground covered with snow and the weather freezing.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Wendt of Bay City, Thursday, May 9th at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilbur.

As far as we know, Carl Johnson was the first golfer to make an "Eagle" on the local golf course. This he did Sunday while playing hole one.

Damage amounting to about \$200 resulted from a fire that started from the fireplace at the Douglas Hotel early Tuesday evening.

Esbern Olson is having a new cottage erected at Lake Margrethe where the family will enjoy their summers. John Isenhauer is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. William Pobur and children, of Detroit, were guests at the Earl Dawson home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Terpening of Augusta, Michigan are occupying the Randolph cottage at Lake Margrethe. Mr. Terpening is busy building a cottage which they intend to occupy some time in June.

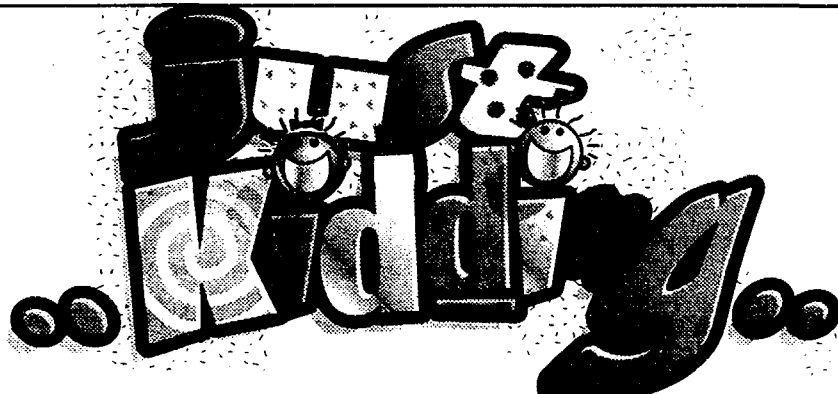
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N.P. Olson was welcomed downtown yesterday for the first time since he was taken sick. A trifle pale and weak but coming along alright.

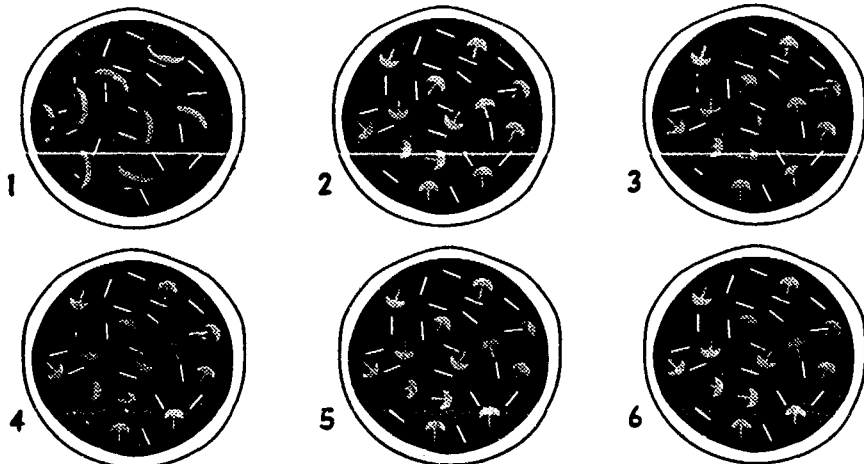
George Langevin has bought the entire livery outfit out of Wm. McCullough and will continue the business.

The basement for the new bank building in completed and the walls of the super structure will start at once.

Wm. G. Woodfield and family have moved to Calumet where he has secured a good position.



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Date	High	Low	Rain
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5/14	78	40	
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5/16	90	54	
5/17	78	61	
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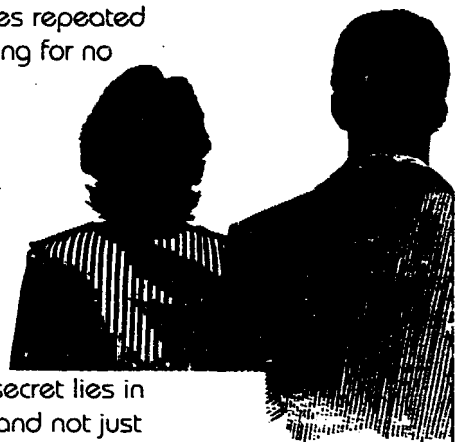
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Roundtable awards forestry grant

MSU Extension, Kirtland Community College and the Huron Pines Resource Conservation & Development Council have received one of only eight competitive grants awarded statewide.

The Roundtable is a non-profit organization committed to developing new approaches to resolving environmental, economic and social issues affecting the sustainable use of Michigan's natural resources.

The grant dollars are being used to host an educational forum that brings together stakeholders concerned with the sustainability of Northern Michigan forests.

Communication Plus Cooperation Equals Co-Existence is the conference's theme. Presenters and participants will address the question: "What to do when one of the fastest growing areas in Michigan has much of its land in forests that are needed by its two prime industries: tourism & Timber & wood products, while at the same time preserving the forests' environmental integrity?" They, then will be challenged to be part of the solution.

The forum will strive to: arrive at a clearer understanding and appreciation for all the varying legitimate uses of northern Michigan forest by all interests involved; develop a vision of how the various growing uses can continue to be met, while protecting the forest integrity; determine what are some steps we as residents, communities, businesses and agencies can help see these needs continue to be met while minimizing conflicts.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period of May 20 through May 26, 1998.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

Small Arms Ranges located West of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

For further information, call (517) 348-3603 or 1-800-628-5820.

Dr. Gordon Guyer, President Emeritus of Michigan State University, and past director of both the Michigan Departments of Natural Resources and Agriculture, will keynote this conference.

Jane Hardisty, State Conservationist for the Natural Resource Conversation Service will moderate a seven member panel each representing a different use of the forests.

Concerns of tourism, industry, environmental interests, DNR, U.S. Forest Service and residents of

northern Michigan will all be heard.

During the afternoon, Dr. Harvey Liss, of Michigan State University will guide participants through a series of activities to determine where to go from here.

Planning committee for the forum include: AJD Forest Products, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, Huron Pines RC&D, Kirtland Community College, Michigan DNR: Forest Management Division, Michigan State University

Extension, Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, U.S. Forest Service.

For a brochure and more information about Crossroads Conference please call Kathy TenWolde at the Ogemaw County Extension office (517) 345-0692 or Dan Sikarskie at the Huron Pines RC&D (517) 348-9319.

Early registration before May 15 is \$15. After the 15th the cost is \$25. Space is limited.

House approves Olympic Scholarship amendment

Officials from Northern Michigan University and the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Marquette expressed their pleasure recently at the news that the U.S. House has reinstated a program to provide college scholarships for Olympic athletes.

The program was included as an amendment by Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) to H.R. 6, Higher Education Re-authorization, which was approved by the House last week.

In addition to re-authorizing student loans, Pell grants and other student financial aid programs, H.R. 6 with the Stupak amendment also authorizes \$5 million of each of the five fiscal years for scholarships for Olympic athletes while they train.

"Olympic athletes make tremendous sacrifices to represent our nation against the world's best athletes, but they should not have to forfeit their education," said Jeff Kleinschmidt,

director, United States Olympic Education Center.

Although college athletes regularly receive scholarships to represent their schools in athletics, Olympic athletes representing the United States don't have this same opportunity, Kleinschmidt said.

"Many Olympic-aspiring athletes spend thousands of dollars annually on training, equipment and travel," he said. "The time commitment and expense of Olympic training has made it nearly impossible for many young athletes to continue their education while also training full-time to proudly represent all Americans at the Olympic Games."

Dr. Judith Bailey, president of NMU, saw the House action as an important step to make Northern — the only university that allows Olympic athletes to train and study at the same time — more attractive to Olympic-

bound athletes.

"Athletes have told me Northern allows them the opportunity for a stable and promising future," Bailey said.

Both officials praised Stupak's efforts on the floor of the House to get the amendment included in the education bill.

"Olympic athletes aren't looking for a handout," Stupak said. "On the contrary, young Olympians personify personal dedication and commitment to best in the world in some field of endeavor."

"This unique pairing of facilities, with the United States Olympic Education Center located on the campus of Northern Michigan University, enables student athletes to work toward these goals. The scholarship program is an essential ingredient in allowing many of these potential Olympians to both train and learn."

FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

By Cindy Olson

GRAYLING FISH HATCHERY

— Opening on May 23rd. Season passes will be available again this year. Cost is \$5 for senior citizens, \$10 per couple and \$15 for family.

T-Ball — Registration for K-2 boys and girls T-ball is \$20 before May 29. Late registration is \$25. Games begin June 5. Game time 9 a.m. or 10 a.m. Saturday mornings. For more information contact Joe Lehman at 348-2292.

YOUTH SOFTBALL

— Registration for 3rd - 8th grade boys and girls softball is \$20 before May 19. Late Registration \$25. Games begin Friday, May 22. Game time 6 p.m. For more information contact Joe Lehman 348-9266.

HANSON HILLS CHALLENGE

TRAIL RUN — 5-mile run course, 5KM fun run course Saturday, June 6, 1998. \$12 entry fee post marked by June 1, \$15 late registration. Check in from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. race day. Awards

to the top ten in each class.

SUMMER DAY CAMP — This FREE Youth Program starts June 15, and ends July 3rd. It is designed to educate and provide alternatives to alcohol, tobacco and drug use by exposing children to activities that promote alternatives to alcohol, tobacco and drug use by exposing children to activities that promote a healthy lifestyle. Age groups are K-2, 3rd-5th, and 6th-8th. For more information call Jessica at 348-9266.

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FACILITY RENTAL — Don't forget - We have facilities for your parties reunions and events. The gym is an excellent place for a Birthday Party or rainy day use at only \$15 an hour. The main lodge is \$175 per day. Please call 348-9266.

Birds of prey to be presented at GHS

A free presentation featuring live birds of prey will be given on Thursday, May 28, by Joe Rogers of Wildlife Recovery, from 7 p.m.

to 8 p.m., in the Grayling High School Choir Room.

The presentation is sponsored by the Kirtland Warbler Festival and the Grayling High School Student Senate.

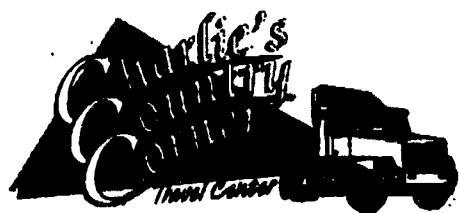
Rogers will demonstrate the handling of hawks, owls and eagles to students earlier in the day.

The Kirtland Warbler Festival will be held at the Kirtland Community College campus in St. Helen on Saturday, May 30. Admission is free.

For more information on the bird of prey presentation, please call Loren Ford at (517) 826-3252.

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For Sale By Owner

Beautiful 2 story chalet home on the AuSable river. Two lots, 250' on the main stream. Only a few miles from town. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, large utility room, large kitchen and living room, double fireplace, large deck facing the river with hot tub. Heated workshop, 3-car garage, shed & more! A MUST SEE!! You'll fall in love. Great fishing. Beautiful quiet scenic view all around. Perfect for retirement or year round home. Asking \$175,000 for more info. or an appointment to see please call (517) 348-2284. -21/1

1. Real Estate

PRICED REDUCED. \$39,500. two bedroom, one bath, vacant. 300 Huron St. (one block from Cornell Insurance on M-72 East), was \$44,500. 348-4055. (11/13/97)(1)

HUNTING CAMP 10-80 acres w/cabins, can divide. Surrounded by state land. \$14,000-\$112,000. N. Grayling, MI. Financing possible. 616-947-1990. (11/20/97)(1)

AUSABLE RIVER home on Wendy Lane. Lovely four bedroom, 1 1/2 baths. Chalet, fireplace, attached 1 1/2 car garage, furnished. Beautiful setting on 10 acres with 175 ft. frontage. Owner very anxious. Reduced to \$139,000. Call Hamrick Real Estate Co. P.C. Phone or fax, 517-348-5433, evenings 348-8336. (5/14/98)(1)

FOR SALE BY OWNER Lake Margrethe home on 105 ft. frontage. Please call 517-348-7444. (5/14/98)(1)

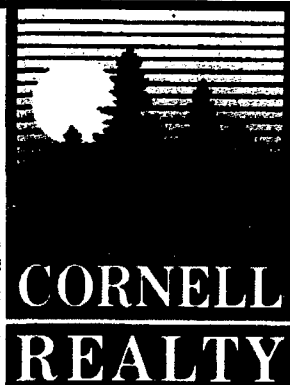
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FOR SALE BY OWNER AuSable Woods Sub. AuSable recreation property near Grayling, three miles off I-75. Heavy wooded acreage, lots on and near AuSable River- Jones Lake Road area. Private road. Private chalet club house, pool, paved roads. Call 1-517-348-2249. (-21-28-4/1)

TWO STORY CHALET with 2 1/2 acres. Wooded, gas furnace, three bedroom, two bath, large three-car garage, near schools, fishing, hunting, etc. \$71,500 cash-terms possible. For info call 517-348-7210. (-21-28-4/1)

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AUSABLE WOODS This beautiful new home is ready to move in! It has 1,512 sq. ft., four bedrooms, two full baths 20x22 finished garage. Must see to appreciate. (LM-954) Reduced \$99,500



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THREE BEDROOM, ONE BATH SALTBOX Walking distance to the North Branch. 2 1/2 acres with great hunting. Large garage with work area. Electric heat and economical stove. Near state land. (SG-27) \$49,900



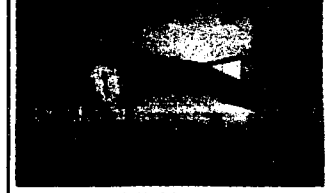
AFFORDABLE HOUSING 2 bedrooms, one bath, enclosed porch, fireplace, fenced-in yard, two-car garage. 14x14 heated guest house. Located on over one acre, with state land across the road. (LJKJ-32) \$44,800



501 ELM ST. City of Grayling, 2 bedroom home, 1 car garage on a corner lot. Rental income or live in it. (DL-105) Reduced \$36,500



GREAT STARTER HOME - This 2 bedroom, 946 sq. ft. home had new carpet, linoleum and paint in 1995 and roof is three year old. Large utility room and breezeway with a 20x22 garage. All this sits on 3 large lots in Roscommon on the outskirts. (DM-36) \$50,000



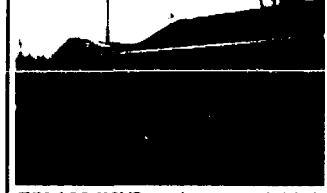
TRIPLEX ON THE BEAUTIFUL AUSABLE RIVER. All three units have a living-room, kitchen combinations, bedroom & bath, stove & refrigerator. (MC-536) \$98,000



THIS NEWLY RENOVATED historic school house is a must see! 1,800 sq.ft., 3 bedroom home offers a lot of characteristics with quality craftsmanship. (KJ/LJ-55) \$99,500



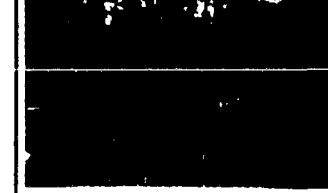
M-72 EAST Ideal 2 bedroom starter or retirement home located on 8.9 acres. Nice private setting situated on paved country road. (KJ/LJ-54) \$38,500



FULL LOG HOME newly constructed, 3 bedroom, wood interior. Lots of cupboards, stove & refrigerator included. Located on 10 acres adjacent to state land 2624 attached garage w/auto door opener. (LM-969) \$135,000



COMMERCIAL BAR & GRILL This Grayling landmark is the sports-person's place to relax and have fun. It offers darts, dancing, pool and good food, 2 big screen TVs & much more. (SG-32) \$359,999

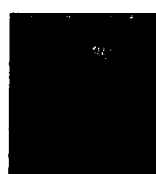


FAMILY HOME IN SHERWOOD FOREST - This 3 bedroom home offers a family room, 2 baths, full basement, attached garage, large wooded lot. Home is in need of a little TLC but has a lot to offer. (KM-28) \$59,900

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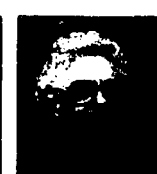
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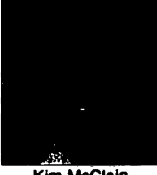
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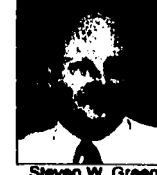
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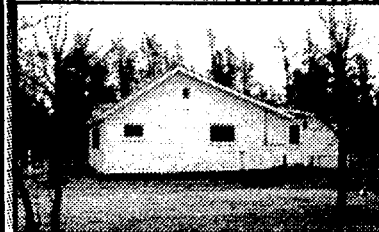


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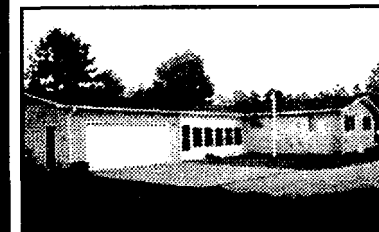
LOG HOME OVERLOOKING THE AUSABLE RIVER. Cathedral ceilings, stone fireplace, hardwood floors & carpet in bedrooms, ceiling fan in living room, open covered porch overlooking the river, 2 bedrooms, 864 sq. ft. and a fuel oil space heater. CS-754 \$103,000



GET-AWAY COTTAGE-PRICED TO SELL! This well maintained 3 bedroom house or cottage features new floor coverings and newly painted interior thought. A screened porch and county paved roads. Located between Grayling and Higgins Lake in the heart of recreation. CS-343 \$39,999



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SPOTLESS RANCH HOME just outside city limits in Pinegrove Sub. Features family room w/fireplace, sun room, full basement, 3 B/R, 1 1/2 baths, 1,366 sq. ft. of living area. Two sliding glass doors, insulated garage. Landscaped and new roof. CH-756 JUST LISTED AT \$74,500



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WANTED: owner for a brand new home, Higgins Lake area. Three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, two car garage, 1,300 sq. ft. Buy now you choose carpet. \$95,000. 517-348-3114. (-21-28/1)

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JUST COMPLETED THREE BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, two car garage, natural gas heat, two miles from Grayling, \$85,000. 333 Redwing Terrace. Call 348-2928 or 348-8945. (10/23/97tf/1)

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2. For Rent

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MOVING SALE: 16 horse Snapper tractor, mowing deck, snow blower, tire weights, grass bagger \$1,600 O.B.O. Nice fireplace insert complete \$125 O.B.O. Water bed with nice headboard \$150 O.B.O. Tree pc. bedroom set \$200 O.B.O. Seven pc. bedroom set, very nice \$550 O.B.O. Pull rite trailer hitch, B.O. Brass folding dog cage \$110 O.B.O. 1985 3/4 ton Chevy Suburban work truck good runner \$1,800. Pull behind cement mixer, electric motor \$200 O.B.O. House must to too, three bedroom, garage, office, hot tub, sauna, 2 1/2 acres, great location \$99,000 O.B.O. 616-258-5054. (-21/5)

FOR SALE 20 ft. pontoon boat. Runs great, \$2,000 O.B.O. 348-4808. Must sell. (-21-28/5)

FREE FIREWOOD-AGED HEM-LOCK. Call 517-348-7465. (-21/7)

FOR SALE: Fuel oil space heater w/electric ignition, refrigerator, apt. size stove, microwave, small two man sail boat. No reasonable offer refused. 348-8997, leave message. (-21/10)

Kuk's Nursery
Excellent Time
To Plant Potted & Balled Shrubs and Trees and to see them in Full Color. Hundreds to pick from at
Special Spring Prices
Quality, Hardiness & Friendly Advice is our Policy
Located 8 miles north of Roscommon on Old M-76 (S. Grayling Rd.) Northbound I-75 take exit at 244, turn left 1-1/2 miles to blinker, then right on Old M-76 (S. Grayling Rd.) 3 miles. South bound I-75 take 251 mile exit. Turn south on Old M-27 to the Moose Lodge then left on S. Grayling Rd. for 1-1/2 miles.
Open every day 9-5, except closed Wednesdays
(517)275-8491
-14-21/5

5. For Sale

YORTY'S ANTIQUES. Collectibles and Furniture. Now open Fridays and Saturdays, 12-5. Huge stock-thousands of antiques. On Higgins Lake by 1st Bank On Co. Rd. 200. (-21/5)

CHEST TYPE FREEZER 10 cubic ft., excellent condition, \$150. 348-5074. (-21/5)

BEEN THERE-DONE THAT. Does a great job. Carol Ramaswamy. June 8th. Paid by Committee To Elect. (-21/5)

CONN KEYBOARD Piano /organ combo, 348-3005. \$400 or best offer. (-14-21-28-4/5)

FOR SALE 15 ft. speed boat, trailer and 150 hp. Mercury motor. Must see, \$2,500. 348-5104. (-14-21/5)

FOR SALE never used, F.M.-A.M. cassette Sony, car-truck radio. Tel. 348-7444. (-14-21/5)

BOAT-14'2" AEROCRAFT. fiberglass, motor, 30 hp. and trailer, \$500. 348-3927. (-14-21/5)

25 FT. CREST PONTOON and trailer. Tandem wheels with 50 horse Evenrude motor. 348-4235. \$2,200 or best offer. 511 Michigan Ave, Grayling, MI. (-14-21/5)

FULL SIZE THOMAS ORGAN w/instrument sounds, music books, bench, \$300. 348-9101. (-21/5)

USED RIDING AND PUSH mowers for sale. Maple Forest Small Engine Repair. 517-348-8217. (-21/5)

ENJOY FRIDAY NIGHT fish fry at Spike's Keg O' Nails all summer long. Come early starting at 4 p.m., serving until 10 p.m. (5/14/98t/5)

NOW TAKING ORDERS for utility trailers. 4 Mile Welding. 348-2613. (4/23/98t/5)

FOR SALE 4 WINNS 17 foot 1/O, 185 hp, power steering, w/trailer, hoist and garage stored. Excellent condition, \$5,000. 348-8777. (-7-14-21-28/5)

5. For Sale

ACETYLENE TORCH SET
Dayton Cart, Victor brass head, great condition, \$250 Phone-348-8850. (-21/5)

FOR SALE Weslo Cardio Glide plus exerciser. Like new, \$135. 517-348-7463. (-21/5)

FOR SALE Flexsteel full size sofa sleeper. Rust tweed, like new, \$225. 517-348-7463. (-21/5)

21 FOOT STARCRAFT BOAT with cover, 115 hp. Mercury outboard with power tilt, heavy duty trailer with electric winch, fish finder, good condition. Make offer. 616-839-5294. (-21/5)

EVINRUDE-115 HP. Excellent shape. 16 foot Larson, Shoreline trailer. All for \$2,200. Free boat hoist. 348-9726. (-21/5)

TWO CANOES FOR SALE One Indian Voyager, one Herter, \$550 for both. Call 517-275-5807, Memorial weekend. (-21/5)

FOR SALE New Go-Kart by Manco. \$900. 348-3043. (-21/5)

1977 STARCRAFT pop-up camper. Comes with 9 X 7 tent, camping table, Weber grill, large cooler, two captain's chairs, water jug and sleeping bag. \$575 firm. 9292 S. Grayling Rd., Beaver Creek. (-21/5)

6. Wanted

WANTED NICE LOT or acreage for home site. Call Pat at 348-1782. (5/7/98t/6)

7. Miscellaneous

WANTED 40-80 ACRES deer hunting, Crawford/Kalkaska counties. 810-468-6095. (-23-30-7-14-21-28/7)

LOST: Gold cross, reward. Call Pat at 348-1782. (5/7/98t/7)

OLD ORIENTAL RUGS WANTED Any size or condition. 1-800-443-7740. (-14-21-28-4-11/7)

LOST TWO BOXER PUPPIES Wilderness Trail and Staley Lake. Rex and Bailey, 11 weeks old. 517-821-8313. (-21/7)

Answers
VOOM MADRE GRAM
ARLO ABOUT RATA
REED TANTALIZES
YOSEMITE OPENS
SANE GALE
PLATTE KTWI LAP
EARL EYELET OIL
OBEYS OYL ADORE
NON ELDEST ASEA
SRA NEED RAREST
FALL MARK
TRAIT COMMENCE
MAPLESYRUP NORA
EVEL GEESSE EVER
NEDS TWEED DAWN

Avalanche Sets Early Deadlines for Memorial Day
The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, May 25, for Memorial Day, and will reopen at 9 am Tuesday, May 26.
The deadline for full page, half page, or color display ads, for the May 28 issue is Thursday, May 21, 5 pm. All display ads smaller than a half page is Friday, May 22, 5 pm. Letters to the editor and photographs must be turned in by noon Friday, May 22. Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday, May 26 noon.
AVALANCHE
102 Mich. Ave. • Grayling • 348-6811

7. Miscellaneous

SIX WEEK DOG TRAINING classes held in Grayling, Fridays at 6. Call trainer Rick Wells. 616-929-3431. (-21-28/7)

FREE German Sheppard Husky mixed. 348-9425. (-21/7)

BEEN THERE-DONE THAT. Does a great job. Carol Ramaswamy. June 8th. Paid by Committee To Elect. (-21/7)

Chill Out To Some Hot Tunes
Speak Easy Saloon
Presents Live Entertainment
Tuesday thru Saturday
5/19 - 5/23 • Sweet Talk
Holiday Inn
2650 S. I-75 Bus. Loop
517-348-7611 • 1-800-292-9055

Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465
Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling
Wednesday - 6:30 pm
Knights of Columbus
K of C Hall, 604 Norway Grayling
Thursday - 7 pm
American Legion Hall
Post 106 - Grayling

Friday - 6:30 pm
Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465
Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling
Saturday - 6:30 pm
Frederic Volunteer Fire Department
Frederic Township Hall

8. Announcements
FREE CASH GRANTS! College. Scholarships. Business. Medical bills. Never repay. Toll free 1-800-218-9000 ext. G-8887. (-14-21-28-4/8)

8. Announcements

Card Of Thanks
Two weeks ago I had an accident where I broke my leg in three places. I'd like to take this time to thank everyone who have helped me before and after my surgery.

Bears Country Inn, Treva and Marilyn Mc Clanahan; North Flight Paramedics, Scott Lindquist and Paul Owens; and the staff at Mercy Hospital especially, Dr. Winkler and Dr. Thiel.

To those who have cared for me at home, cooked and cleaned, sent me flowers, plants and special gifts: Jill Andersen; Sandy Moore; Sandy Jorac; Joyce Ross; Carlene Englund; Sharon Priebe; Janet Small; Kathy Olson; Deanne Weiss; Jane Croze; Pam Jozsa; Carolyn and Michael DiPonio; The Crawford County Avalanche, Linda Golinick; Chief Shoppenagon's, Susan, Fred and all the staff; Grayling Country Club; Monica Ashton; Shelly and Dave Pinkleman; Verle, Norm and Ben Kohn; Debbie Baker and family; Roberta Corlew; my husband, Neal; my son, Justin Manier; and my lost dear friend, Larry Grant.

For the use of the equipment that helps make my life easier: Thelma and Whitey Madsen, Jan Dreasky, Rhea and Charlie Gierke.

Two more surgeries and I should be like new. Your continued support, cards and phone calls help cheer me and I'm truly blessed to have you all in my life.

Thank you so much —
JoAnn Michal

BURN VICTIM.
ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES.
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ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED
Crawford County Avalanche 517 348-6811
Categories (circle one)
1. Real Estate 3. Employment 6. Wanted 9. Personals
2. For Rent 4. Services Offered 7. Miscellaneous 10. Garage Sales
2a. Want to Rent 5. For Sale 8. Announcements 11. Automotive

\$3.50	\$3.60	\$3.70	\$3.80	\$3.90	\$4.00
\$4.20	\$4.30	\$4.40	\$4.50	\$4.60	\$4.70
\$4.80	\$4.90	\$5.00	\$5.10	\$5.20	\$5.30
\$5.40	\$5.50	\$5.60	\$5.70	\$5.80	\$5.90
\$6.00	\$6.10	\$6.20	\$6.30	\$6.40	\$6.50
\$6.60	\$6.70	\$6.80	\$6.90	\$7.00	\$7.10
\$7.20	\$7.30	\$7.40	\$7.50	\$7.60	\$7.70

CLASSIFIEDS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE BY TUESDAY NOON

Sell it in the Classifieds!
They get results!!



Dear graduate and family,
You are cordially invited to attend the baccalaureate service for the 1998 Grayling High School graduating class.
Date: May 27, 1998
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Joseph Stripe Auditorium
The Sable Ministerial Association
Graduates please arrive for line-up by 6:45 pm!

CITIZENS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY'S 6TH DISTRICT. Be advised that as your elected County Commissioner and Chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee, I **STRONGLY OPPOSE** the exorbitant 300% tax increase for 911, and the 1.75 mill, \$612,500 tax increase for the sheriff department which you will face on the August 4th ballot. **THERE ARE NO COST ALTERNATIVES!**
Crawford County does NOT have a money problem as you have been led to believe. We **HAVE** a serious management problem.
Call me for the unpublished facts that **YOU NEED TO KNOW. BRUCE BRETZKE - 348-4408.**
Paid for by Bruce Bretzke, 10641 Arrow Dr., Grayling 49738

!! SWISS STEAK DINNER!!
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH
5PM TO 9PM
\$6 Adults • \$3 Children • \$22 Family
TAKE-OUTS WELCOME
MICHELSON METHODIST CHURCH
"The Downtown Church"

8. Announcements

ENJOY FRIDAY NIGHT fish fry at Spike's Keg O' Nails all summer long. Come early starting at 4 p.m., serving until 10 p.m. (5/14/98tf/8)

EARNING THAT DIPLOMA took a lot of hard work. Protect it with a frame to make it last. Because as valuable as it is right now, in time it'll be worth even more. The Framery II, 127 Michigan Ave., Uptown Grayling. (517) 348-8817. (-21-28/8)

D.J. FOR HIRE. Best music and prices around. 517-275-4012. (LR6/25/98/8)

"50" YEARS of married bliss. Who ever could have imagined this? Honoring Jim and Connie Brown.. Backyard open house, 1-5, May 30th. 7330 K.P. Lake Rd. Come on over and celebrate. (-21/8)

Wave to your neighbors.

A hand wave is more of a southern downhome expression of friendliness, but it can also express friendliness here in the north. So wave to your neighbors and those visiting beautiful Northern Michigan. Grayling Assembly of God Church is a congregation of friendly people who loves Jesus.

Sunday Worship
10:30 & 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Located 1 mile north of downtown on the I-75 Bus. Loop • 348-8885

8. Announcements

CIRCLE W ANTIQUES and Collectibles and good used furniture. 809 W. Federal, Roscommon. Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 10-5. 517-275-4500. Bring this ad for 10%-20% discount this weekend only! (-21/8)

BEEN THERE-DONE THAT. Does a great job. Carol Ramaswamy. June 8th. Paid by Committee To Elect. (-21/8)

WELCOME WAGON HOSTESSES Call Betty Mansfield, 348-8562, or Mary Lou Passmore, 348-5816, if you are a newcomer, engaged or a new mother. (8/3/85tf/8)

NOW OPEN BANNON'S GARDEN and New Greenhouse. Shop inside. Annuals, perennials, herbs, over 150 hanging baskets. Take Old 27 north, 1 1/2 miles past Frederic, across from Ables Auto. 348-6215. (-21-28-4/8)

Jack Pilon
for **SCHOOL BOARD**

GOAL: Crawford-AuSable schools will continue to update its core curriculum of math, reading, writing, science, history, social studies and the arts.

GOAL: Crawford-AuSable students and teachers will gain a mastery of such computer applications as spreadsheets, data base, word processing, presentations graphics and internet data searches.

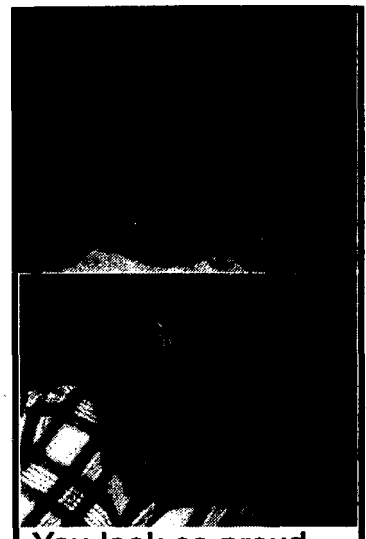
GOAL: Learning information technology is necessary for life-long skills. Computer technology should be incorporated into the core curriculum where practical.

Your vote will be appreciated.
Paid for by candidate

9. Personals

SINGLE WHITE WOMAN age 57, is looking for single white male, age 56-62 who likes to fish. Also for friendship and companionship. 517-826-5213. (-21/9)

CONGRATULATIONS NOREEN HARMER May 21st, 15 years successful Pancreas transplant! Love and Thanks, Family, Friends, Patients. (-21/9)



You look so proud
Look how proud we
are of you
Congratulations on a
excellent job
Love
Mom, Dad, Carrie

10. Garage Sales

YARD SALE Household items. May 22, 23, 24. 11123 M-72 S.E., near Dingman's Bar. (-21/10)

HUGE GARAGE SALE Sat. and Sun., 9-4. Huge selection of tools, hardware/parts, electronics, video equipment, color T.V's, sporting goods, golf clubs, boat, trailers, building supplies, windows, patio bricks, furniture, old magazines and books. Take North Down River Rd., 5 miles east of I-75 on Redhead Lane. (-21/10)

YARD-GARAGE SALE May 22, 23, 9-4. Trout painting, 4' by 8'. Trout flies, fishing items, outdoor wood table, two chairs and cushions, chest of drawers, cupboards, two bikes, sewing items, clothes and much more. No early sales. 8551 Lovells Rd. (-21/10)

ST. FRANCIS THRIFT SHOP Donated items which are clean and in good condition, may be brought to the shop Tuesday thru Saturday. We regret that we are unable to accept stoves, refrigerators or inoperable appliances. (-30-7-14-20-28/10)

GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION Huge garage sale. Something for everyone. Sat., May 23rd. 8:30-4:00. Location: Dr. DiPonto's parking lot. 5261 M-72 West. All proceeds go to Milltown Parade. (-14-21/10)

YARD SALE Saturday, May 23. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 5742 Wellington Way, Grayling, off Old 27 North. Furniture, T.V's, baby clothes, household items. (-14-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Sat. 5/23. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Furniture, clothes, toys, misc. 405 Spruce St. (-21/10)

THURSDAY-SUNDAY 9:30-5:30, 700 Plum and Lake. Crafts, sport cards, Elvis stuff, desk, sewing machine, comics, Stat Trek cards, etc. Posters, books, albums, Power Ranger movies and toys, dishes, shirts, misc. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Sat., May 23. One day only! 8-? Old maple dresser, chest of drawers, high chair, books and puzzles. 4251 Pinecrest, Grayling Mobile Estates. (-21/10)

10. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE May 22-23, 10:00 till ? 209 Kerry. Humminbird portable depth finder, luggage, stereo, old records, 1985 Yamaha Maxum motorcycle and misc. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE-THREE FAMILY 23-24-25, 9 a.m. till? 606 Park St. (-21/10)

FOR SALE: refrigerator \$100, love seat \$50, chair \$35, dining room table \$40, twin bed frame \$10. Also hundreds of Marvel, DC and Image comic books, 50 cents each and a 1988 Ford Escort Pony: reliable and ready to go! \$500 or best offer. May 23rd and 24th, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 324 Red Tailed Hawk Loop. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE: May 22-23, 9 to 4. 2568 E. Lake Shore, off Margrethe Blvd. Baby stuff, misc. household items, some furniture and tools. (-21/10)

TWO FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 220 Evergreen Drive, Grayling. Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Ladies Schwinn, 486 computer and more. (-21/10)

HUGE YARD SALE May 22-25. Tools, furniture, antiques, household, yard eqipt., auto, fishing, something for everyone. Cindy Lane off May Lake Rd. South of Frederic. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Lawn and garden equipment, tools, guns, knick knacks, furniture, infant clothes, etc., lots more, come see. 2975 Margrethe Blvd. Time- 9 a.m.-5 p.m., May 21-25. (-21/10)

YARD SALE May 23, 24, 25. Seven miles north from Grayling on Old 27. 7136 E. Batteron Rd. (-21/10)

YORTY'S ANTIQUES, Collectibles and Furniture. Now open Fridays and Saturdays, 12-5. Huge stock-thousands of antiques. On Higgins Lake by 1st Bank On Co. Rd. 200. (-21/10)

TV'S, ENTERTAINMENT STANDS, truck toppers, plus size clothes and much, much more. 2825 White Pine Dr., off Manistee River Road next to Long's Canoe Livery. Thur.-Sat., 9-5. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE-FIVE FAMILY May 23 & 24, 8:00 to 4:00. 704 Chestnut. Furniture, baby clothes, toys, Chevy top, outdoor motor, lots of misc. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday, May 23 from 8:30 to 3:00. Kids clothing, toys, linens and other misc. items. 211 Crestwood in Grayling Mobile Estates. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Furniture, old chairs, fish shanty, guns, TV's, down riggers, Avon. 3278 Stephen Bridge Rd. Seven days, 9-5. (-21-28/10)

ANTIQUE GLASS and garage sale. Some furniture, Avon collectables, books, misc. Fri., May 22 thru Mon., May 25. 1350 W. Federal Hwy. (Old 76), one mile E. of Exit 244 (I-75). (-21/10)

MOVING SALE May 22 & 23, 9-5. Furniture, T.V's, tons of toys/sporting goods, girls clothes, infant and toddler items, housewares and more. Off West 5 Mile Rd, behind Fox Run. I-75 south to 4 Mile Ext, follow balloon signs. (-21/10)

MOVING SALE: Everything must go! Reasonable offers accepted. Stepladder, post hole digger, come-a-long, other tools, etc. Entertainment center, two fireside chairs, parquet top round table, Lawrey double keyboard organ, lots of household misc. All crafts at sell out prices. 793 E. Co. Rd. 612. Three miles east of Hartwick Pines Rd. May 22 thru May 31. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. 517-348-2392. (-21-28/10)

10. Garage Sales

MOVING SALE Furniture, housewares, exercise equipment, clothes, fishing, sewing, tools and much more. Fri.-Sat.-Sun. (Open 9-6). 10224 Monroe Ave. off of McIntyre Landing Rd. Follow the signs. (-21/10)

HUGE YARD SALE Lots of antiques and misc. Something for everybody. 22, 23 and 24th, 9-5. Lovells one mile south on F-97. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Wednesday, May 20th thru Tuesday, May 26th, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Small appliances, kitchen utensils, telephones, linens, draperies, cosmetics (new), jewelry, designer clothing, table and hanging lamps, stuffed animals. Also have large quantity of items from son's Louisiana wholesale business. Steak knife sets, sharpening stones, pen and pencil sets, jewelry boxes, ginger jars, vases, silver Revere bowls, solid brass center pieces and picture frames, small lamp shades, silk flowers, crystal candle stick holders, woven pastel baskets, stereo speakers and many other items. 221 Dale, north of North Down River Rd. (-21/10)

MOVING SALE-Sat. - Sun., 5-23 and 5-24, 9-5. 11241 S. Grayling Road. Day bed, snow blower, desk, crafts, material and many more items. Bargains galore! (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE: Friday, 22nd and Saturday, 23rd, 9-5. McIntyres Landing to Madison Avenue. All clothes 25 cents. Lots of baby stuff. Rain or shine. (-21/10)

ONE DAY ONLY-Saturday, May 23rd, 9-4. North Old 27 to blinker before high school, turn left, then left on first road, follow signs. Kids and adult clothes, shoes, toys. Most items 25 cents and 50 cents. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE-357 Red Wing Terrace. Friday and Saturday, 9:00-5:00. Lots of neat stuff, including Yamaha RT100 dirt bike, 1996, excellent condition. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Fri. 22nd-Sat. 23rd, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Lots of treasures, young ladies clothing size 5 & 7, girls shoes size 8 & 8 1/2, men's size 36/30-large & x-large, drapes, household items, large window, lots of misc., Anderson windows (99 X 50). North Park Dr. Take North Down River Rd. to Roberts Rd., follow signs. (-21/10)

11. Automotive

'88 CHEVY CORSIKA Clean, runs great, many new parts. Call Pat at 348-1782. (5/7/98tf/11)

1992 CHEVROLET five speed, V-6, extended cab, w/cap, priced thousands below book value. Looks great, no rust, runs smooth and quiet. Call 517-348-6761, ask for Ron or Paul. \$3,900. (5/14/98tf/11)

MARATHON 22' DODGE CHAS- SIS 400 V-8, all accessories, self contained, excellent condition, stored inside, \$10,900. Ph. 517-348-7720. (-14-21/11)

10. Garage Sales

205 N. PARK DR. Clothing-infants to adults, toys, knick knacks and more. Sat./Sun., 9-4. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE: 707 Robinhood, Sherwood Forest, Grayling. Sat.-Sun., May 23-24, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Baby/toddler items and clothes, craft items from closure of dried flower business, etc. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Fri.-Sun., 5/22-5/24, 9-5. Couch, chair, rug cleaner, large black pick-up tool box, twin size sofa sleeper, much misc. 2493 S. Horse Shoe, North off M-72 East. Cash please. (-21/10)

TOYS, CLOTHES, FURNITURE, appliances, tools, outside items. Sat. only, May 23rd. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 301 Brink. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Sat. and Sun., 23rd and 24th. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 411 E. Michigan Ave. Corner of Chestnut. Too much to mention. (-21/10)

RUMMAGE SALE 4876 Helen. Career clothes, baby items, odds and ends. Saturday-Sunday, 8-5. (-21/10)

YARD SALE 400 Huron. Lots of stuff. 10 to 3, Fri.-Sun. (-21/10)

RUMMAGE-BAKE-BOOK SALE Sat., May 23rd., 10-4. Warbler's Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. (-21/10)

HUGE GARAGE SALE Friday, Saturday Sunday and Monday, May 22, 23, 24 and 25th. M-72, 10 miles east of town. Many handcrafted wood items, rocking horses, cedar chests, tables, etc., large size clothes, come furniture, small appliances. (-21/100)

GARAGE SALE-TWO FAMILY Thur.-Sun., May 21-24, 9:30 to 5. much misc. 321 Fulton. (-21/10)

ST. FRANCIS THRIFT SHOP
6445 West M-72, Grayling
1-517-348-2572

"Beginning of Summer Sale"
25% off the original price
on shorts, knit tops & shirts,
and children's play clothes.
May 19 thru May 30

Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday
10 am to 4pm
Saturday 10am to 2pm

11. Automotive

1995 CHEVY SUBURBAN 4wd, 1,500 LS, 52,000 miles, all power, front and rear heat and air, excellent condition, \$19,950. 348-4831 days, 348-9055 evenings. (5/14/98tf/11)

1993 TOPAZ Teal, automatic, cruise, tilt, air, aluminum wheels, luggage rack, new tires, struts, & mounts, and tie rods. Clean, no rust. 90,000 miles. \$4,400. 517-348-9388. (-21/11)

JJ'S Motor Mall
Quality Used Cars & Trucks
(517) 348-7710

M-72 West Grayling

Look What's New At Showtyme!!

Why look like everybody else? Let Showtyme show you how to be unique.

SHOWTYME Collision

1/2 mile west of the Manistee River on M-72
(517) 348-8090
Monday - Friday, 7:45 am to 5 pm • Saturdays by appointment

9. Personals

Emma L. Mattson of 305 State St. will celebrate her 90th birthday on May 27th. A card shower is being hosted in her honor. She is a lifelong resident of Grayling.

Celebrate National Karyn Week!
May 17 - 23

Buy Karyn Ruley a gift

Suggestions:
Swimming Pool
Trampoline
Chanel No. 5
Internet access

JoAnn Michal
Put you
best foot
forward
and get
well soon!

Season Opening! Memorial Weekend!

Somewhere in Time Antiques & Collectibles
552 W Bear Lake Rd NE (off M-72) Kalkaska
(11 miles W of Grayling) 616-258-5653

Antiques - Furniture - Home Furnishings
Aspen Bay - Spring Creek Gifts

OPEN: Saturday, May 23 9:00 - 4:00
Sunday, May 24 12:00 - 5:00
Monday, May 25 9:00 - 4:00
June Hours: Saturdays 9-4/Sundays 12-4

II. Automotive

'89 **F150 XLT LARIAT** 5-speed, 4 X 4, new parts, new paint job \$4,500 or best offer. 517-348-1889. (-21-28/11)

'91 **CHEVY LUMINA** Silver, four door, auto, air, locks, tilt, stereo, excellent condition, 63,000 miles, senior owned, \$6,100. 2197 Danish Landing Rd. (-21-28/11)

1984 **FORD ESCORT LX** Four door, 84,000 miles, great shape, auto, sir, cruise, cassette. \$5,200 O.B.O. 1978 Chevy 1/2 ton 4 X 4, with plow, rusty. \$1,300 O.B.O. Call 348-5786, after 6 p.m. (-21-28/11)

1992 **OLDS CUTLESS CIERA** 128,000, runs good, new tires, \$6,000 O.B.O. 348-4086. Call Sat.-Sun.-Mon. (-21/11)

HONEY TRUCK CAMPER for sale. Sleeps four. \$800 or best offer. 348-9070. (-21/11)

BEEN THERE-DONE THAT. Does a great job. Carol Ramaswamy. June 8th. Paid by Committee To Elect. (-21/11)

LINCOLN 1977 VERSAILLES 302 V-8, 71,000 miles, one owner, many new parts, \$2,50 (-14-21/11)

1993 **DODGE CARAVAN A.C.**, seven passenger seating, \$6,500. 348-2418. (-21/11)

THE CLASSIFIED - The perfect place to find that first car. (517) 348-6811

II. Automotive

'76 **FORD PICK-UP** 3/4 ton overload springs, camper top, good body, A.C., \$500 O.B.O. 1668 Acklin Lane, Grayling. 517-348-7210. (-14-21/11)

II. Automotive

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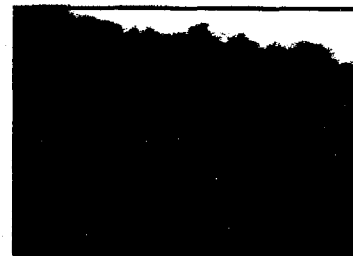
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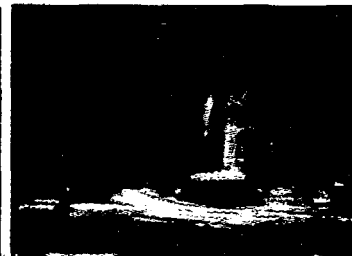
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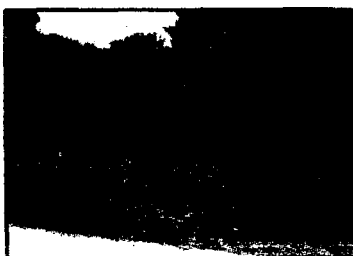
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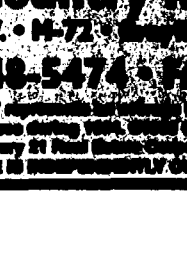
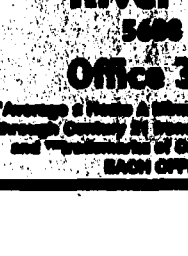
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